

Thanksgiving services for freed Americans set

Services of Thanksgiving will be held here and downtown today in honor of the 52 Americans recently freed from Iran.

Brief services are set for the main post chapel and the Chapel of Our Lady at 11:35 a.m.

The city of San Francisco's official service will be held at St. Mary's Cathedral on Geary Blvd. beginning at noon. Interested Presidians are

invited to attend. Members of the command will be participating.

The services are part of a nationwide day of Thanksgiving declared by President Ronald Reagan and the Congress.

In signing the proclamation the President called upon all Americans to pause at some point during the day to give thanks for the same return

of the 52 Americans.

Among those 52 are six soldiers. They are Col. Lelland Holland, Col. Charles Scott, WO1 Joseph Hall, MSgt. Regis Regan, SFC Donald Hohman, and SSgt. Joseph Subic, Jr.

The returned Americans have been honored and welcomed back to freedom since their departure from Iran on Jan. 20.

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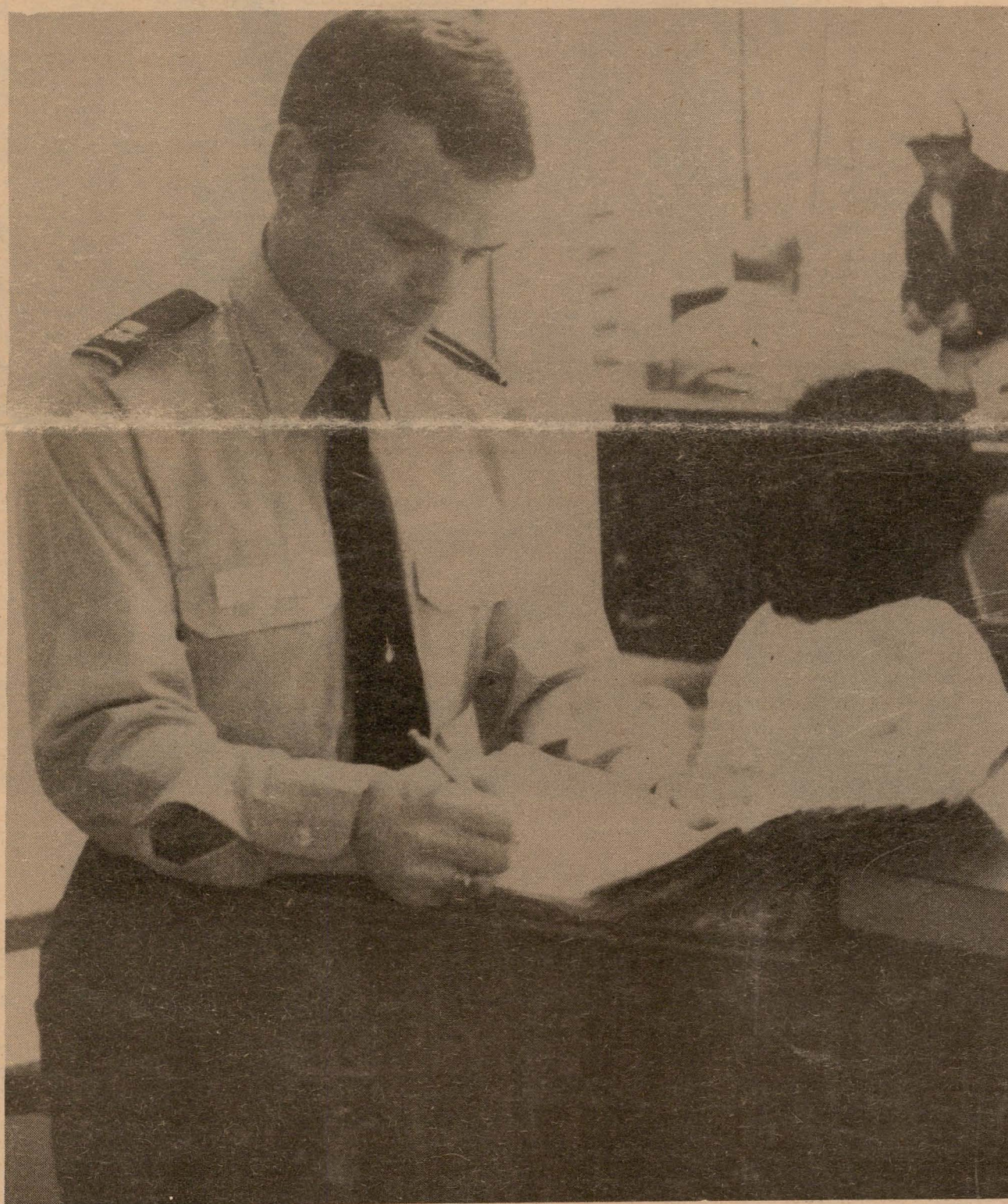
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Saved two persons from burning truck

LAMC nurse honored for heroism



Soldier hero

Capt. Robert Saum, a Letterman Army Medical Center nurse, checks a patient's chart. Saum was awarded the Soldiers Medal on Monday for saving

the lives of two girls whom he pulled from a burning car.

(Photo by Tim Dewar)

by Tim Dewar

"I guess soldiers are supposed to be heroes. Certainly during wartime we see many heroic acts, but soldiers are heroes during peacetime too." With those words Maj. Gen. Floyd W. Baker, Letterman Army Medical Center commander presented Capt. Robert W. Saum, the Soldiers Medal.

Saum, a nurse at LAMC, received the Army's highest award for peacetime heroism for pulling two victims of a fiery accident to safety and giving them first aid on July 27, 1980.

"I was traveling on Highway 24 near Broadway in Oakland. When I turned the corner the pickup was in flames. I pulled over to the side of the road and helped get the girls out," recalled Saum.

Saum not only helped pull the girls to safety, he also helped right the pick-up which was turned on its side totally engulfed in flames.

"I began emergency first aid on the most seriously injured girl," continued Saum. "I put pressure bandages on the bleeding, covered her for warmth, maintained an open air way and just did whatever I could with the material I had."

"The other girl, although she was severely burned, had no contusions or abrasions, so I directed others to talk to her and keep her company while I performed first aid on the other girl until help arrived."

Saum remained with the victims while a highway patrolman called for additional help. When the ambulance arrived the LAMC nurse then helped get the girls on their way to the hospital.

During the ceremony, held Monday, Saum was also honored by the California Highway Patrol with a Certificate of Commendation for Community Service.

As Capt. John Hope, Oakland area commander, pointed out had the gas tank of the pick up exploded, Saum and others in the area may have been killed or seriously injured.

"Receiving this award brings up a lot of memories of the accident," Saum remarked. "I felt that I didn't have any choice and that helping them was everything I had been trained to do. I am a nurse and prior to becoming one I was an (enlisted) medic and trained for emergency medical care."

"Everything I have been trained to do is to help. And those people needed help so I stopped."

President nominates former private to be Sec. of Army

President Ronald Reagan has nominated a former enlisted man who served during World War II to be Secretary of the Army.

John O. Marsh Jr., a Virginia Attorney, also attended officers candidate school at Fort Benning, Ga., shortly after the war. He continued in the Virginia Army National Guard until his

retirement as a lieutenant colonel with 30 years service.

Marsh served in Europe with Army occupation forces and was graduated from the Army's Airborne School in 1964.

A native of Winchester, Va., he served in Congress from 1963 to 1971.

Marsh was 19 when he was commissioned a

second lieutenant of infantry.

During his years of service in the National Guard, he commanded Company M, 116th Infantry. He later served as assistant information officer at the Headquarters, Virginia Army National Guard.

Marsh now lives in Arlington, VA. and is a member of a District of Columbia law firm.

Opinion

A message for 52 free Americans

We wanted to do something special this week to honor our 52 fellow citizens returning from Iran.

We felt that a commentary, such as this, would not be enough to express the views of the entire Presidio community.

So Ramblin' Sam took to the streets to see what special message you wanted to send. Much to our surprise no one had a special message.

The feelings of those we talked were the same no matter where we went.

We have taken those feelings along with our own and composed this special message to our 52 freed Americans:

The yellow ribbons have finallay been untied. You are home.

We are glad you are free and home safely. It has been a long ordeal for all of us.

We hope that you will soon be able to return to a normal life both at home and at your jobs.

Although we know that you will never be able to forget those 444 days in Iran, we pray that you will be able to "turn the page" and begin preparing for the future.

We also hope that the welcomes you have received across the nation have shown you how proud we are of you and your families. The courage and loyalty you and your families displayed, helped pull the nation through the crisis and have set a shining example for all of us who serve our nation.

As we pause on this National Day of Thanksgiving, be assured that our prayers are with you and your families.

We are grateful for your safe return, the patience which lead to a peaceful solution to the crisis, the new unity which embraces our nation, and for the freedom that all of us share.

We will give thanks for the eight men who bravely laid down their lives attempting to gain your freedom.

Our prayers may also include these words from Saint Francis of Assisi:

"Lord, make me an instrument of your Peace. Where there is hatred let me sow love; Where there is injury, pardon; Where there is doubt, faith; Where there is despair, hope; Where there is darkness, light; Where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled, as to console; To be understood, as to understand; To be loved, as to love; For it is in giving that we receive; It is in pardoning that we are pardoned; It is in dying that we are born to eternal life."

Finally our prayers for you and in appreciation of your return will conclude with this simple request, "God, Bless America."



Nobody's perfect, but we really blew it in last week's issue

Last week was not one of our better weeks.

In the first case we incorrectly reported that the DA Commander's Award for Civilian Service was the second highest award that can be given a civil servant.

The award is the fourth highest and has been given here numerous times in the three years the award has existed. We won't even attempt to explain how the mix-up occured. We do, however, apologize to Shirley Maust for any embarrassment we may have caused her.

To Lt. Col. Andrew Bergeron we regret to inform him that he is no longer commander of the 124th Avitation Detachment.

He now returns to his old unit, the Presidio Aviation Detachment, along with his crew members who we also listed as serving in the 124th.

To the 124th you may now return to your reserve status.

In a bold attempt to create news we experi-

mented flying three U21s as helicopters. Unfortunately we found that they are better suited as fixed winged aircraft, the original purpose of their design.

No one is perfect and last week certainly proved we aren't. We apologize for any embarrassment our mistakes have caused.

SSgt. Tom Tiernan
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What is readiness?

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For every person you ask this question, you'll get a different answer.

Congress recently decided it wanted a definition that everyone could agree on.

As a result, a readiness panel was formed by the Armed Service Committee of the House of Representatives. The following is their definition of readiness: "A balancing of manpower, investment, and operations and maintenance expenditures that produces a force structure capable of a rapid, sustained, and ultimately successful response to the threat."

Senior Catholic chaplain retires

by Jon Chelgren

Monsignor (Col.) Robert C. Plocki ends 33 years of service as a military chaplain today.

Plock, Catholic chaplain at the Presidio since 1976, retires as the senior most priest in uniform.

During his five years at the Presidio, Plocki remodelled the Chapel of Our Lady along his own design lines. Plocki says that the unity and harmony of the marble, glass and redwood structure makes the chapel, "a tranquil, beautiful place most conducive to prayer."

Still Plocki says that the chapel itself is only a symbol of what he sees as his greatest contribution to Presidians.

"The chapel is only a symbol of the real beauty of the enhancing of people through the untold marriages and baptisms performed there and the untold number of people in need who have found help," he says.

"The real beauty is in the hearts and souls of the people here," Plocki continues, "and that's something that can't be seen or expressed. That's really where it's at."

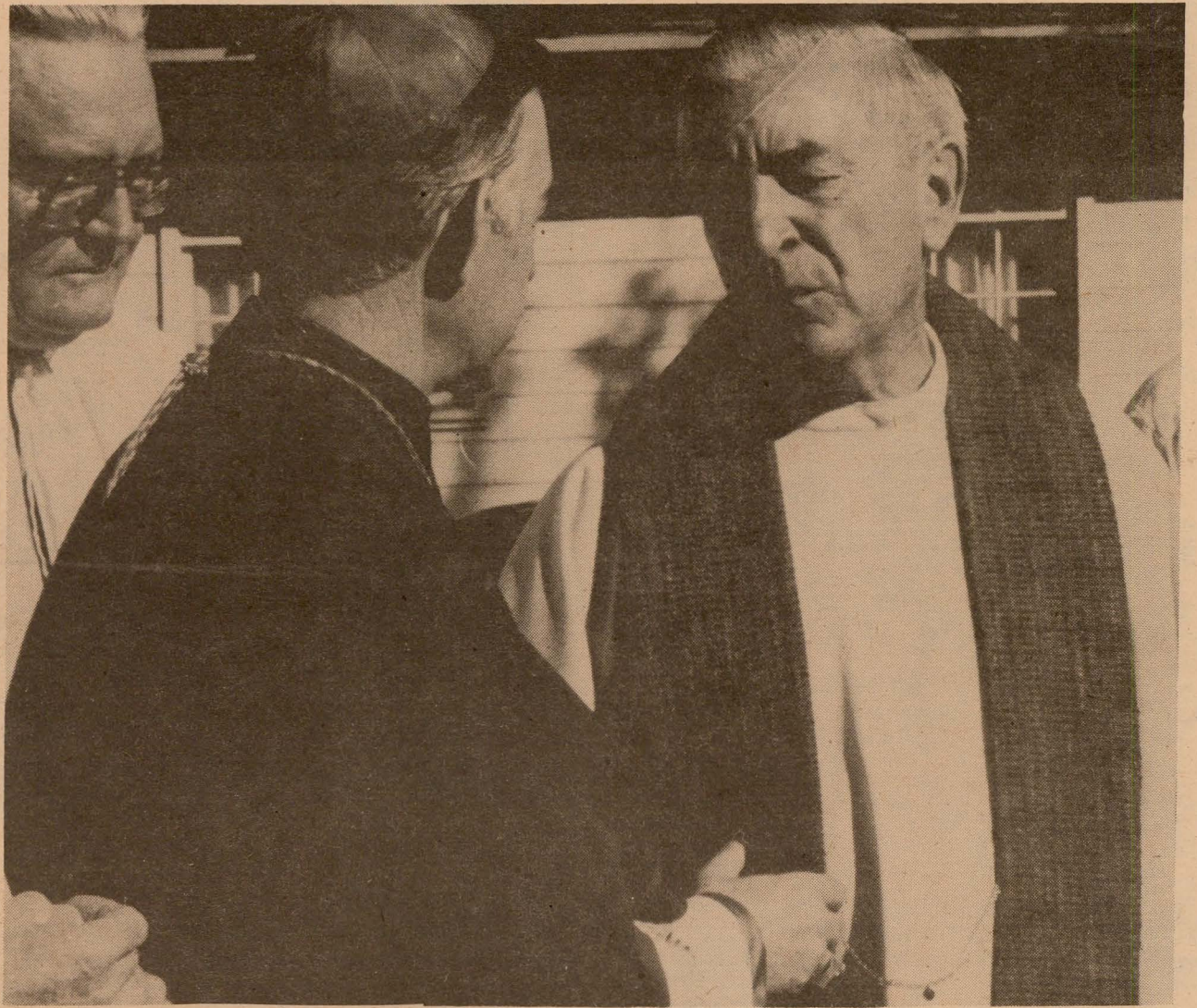
For Plocki, his tour at the Presidio brought him his first parish in 22 years. As chaplain for the Fifth and Sixth Armies and the Army in Vietnam, Plocki served as an advisor and administrator rather than a parish priest.

Speaking of the life of a military chaplain, Plocki says that his service as a military chaplain has been "rich and very rewarding."

But he notes, "You never get to see the fruits of your labors. Since your parishioners are in the military and are so often reassigned, your parish extends around the world."

As a testament to his years of service, one fellow chaplain noted that Plocki is ending his service with five Legion of Merit medals, many more than a normal officer would receive in a career.

Plocki's retirement plans are not yet final.



Church officials meet

San Francisco Archbishop John R. Quinn (back to camera) greets Chaplain (Col.) Robert Plocki, chief Presidio chaplain, prior to the start of last Sunday's mass. The archbishop came to the Presidio

to concelebrate Plocki's last mass as an Army priest. With more than 33 years of service Plocki is the senior priest in Army green. (Photo by Jon Chelgren)

Sec. of Defense sends message

Secretary of Defense, Caspar W. Weinberger, recently sent the following message to members of the U. S. Armed Forces:

"As I take office as our 15th Secretary of Defense, I am very much aware of the need to add greatly to America's military strength and to strengthen also the support of the American people for all the men and women of our Armed Forces—both uniformed and civilian.

"President (Ronald W.) Reagan's widely praised inaugural speech expressed the hopes of the American people for a stronger, safer America. I am honored to be part of his efforts to improve the readiness of all our existing units and to begin now to restore our strategic balance.

"A strong, confident America, that is perceived by our allies as a reliable friend, and by our possible opponents as both willing and able to fight for our freedom, is our best hope for peace.

"Our new president and I share a deep appreciation of the sacrifices you make and the skills with which you serve and defend all the people.

"One of my major priorities is to be sure that our country fully recognizes and honors your great service at home and all over the world.

"I look forward with great enthusiasm and eagerness, as we begin to re-arm America under the leadership and with the full backing of our new commander-in-chief.

"Ours is a most exciting and vital task. Our success will be measured by whether we have so strengthened our country that we have preserved the peace."

Parvo shots available here

by K. Douglas Cook

The Presidio Vet Clinic now has the vaccine available to fight "Canine Parvo Virus Enteritis," a deadly killer among dogs, especially puppies.

This deadly disease has been on the rise in the Bay Area during recent months.

According to Capt. Tom Pool, of the Vet Clinic, getting the vaccine available at the clinic took a lot of hard work and an exception to policy by Health Service Command and permission from the San Francisco Veterinary Medical Association.

Pool explains that the disease can be recognized by the following: vomiting, bloody diarrhea, and severe depression.

"This disease is horrible to see," Pool exclaimed. "It may present a greater threat to dogs than rabies, distemper or some of the more well-known illnesses we vaccinate for here.

"Dogs from the age of 10 weeks on can catch Parvo" warns Pool, "regardless of the fact they are kept indoors or not. In fact dogs kept indoors constantly may be more susceptible to the illness due to decreased natural immunity.

"Parvo" seems to be transmitted by the feces of dogs and the virus can be carried on clothing, footwear or by other animals. This grim killer can live for long periods of time.

If a dog contracts "Parvo" the treatment to

keep the animal alive includes round-the-clock attention and intravenous feedings. Since this service is not available on post it could cost a pet owner hundreds of dollars.

Presidio pet owners can prevent their having to spend this huge amount by getting their animal vaccinated against the disease. The shots and other vaccinations are given by appointment only on Tuesday and Thursday between 8:30 and 11 a.m. at the Vet Clinic.

People who love their dogs should understand one thing about this disease. "The first shot for 'Parvo' should be given with the other puppy shots, or at 8 to 10 weeks of age," said Pool. "The second shot comes one month later. What is different, however, is that booster shots are necessary each six months, at present." This difference is explained by the fact that the current Parvo vaccine isn't strong enough to last a full year," according to Pool. "But when you consider what this awful disease does to dogs, getting a shot each six months is a small price to pay for the dog's continued good health!" There are indications that a stronger vaccine may become available in the near future which would allow one year or more between booster shots."

More information about "Parvo" and the shots to protect a dog against this killer can be obtained by calling the Presidio Veterinary Clinic at 561-3744 during normal duty hours.

Fire causes minor damage to LAIR lab

A small fire caused less than \$500 damage to a Letterman Army Institute of Research lab last week.

Fire Inspector Robert Streeter explained that the fire apparently started in a defective laboratory heater which then ignited a chemical believed to have been undergoing an ether extraction process.

Damage was limited to a fume hood, the ceiling and two heaters which were destroyed.

The fire was discovered by a passer-by who reported it to the Presidio Fire Department. The laboratory was unoccupied at the time.

Streeter points out that the fire was typical of those which occur in lab procedures. However, he added that LAIR has a very good safety record.

Streeter pointed out that LAIR was well protected because nearly 200 fire fighters were attending a medical conference on "Toxic exposure and other injuries to fire fighters and fire victims," being conducted in the auditorium.

More than 400 persons attended the conference and another 200 were turned away at the door.

Cause of the fire is still under investigation.

Soldiers learn by giving care

by Tom Tiernan

Their day begins at 6:30 a.m. Their white uniforms are inspected for cleanliness and neatness before they head off for breakfast and last minute details in the barracks.

By 7:15 a.m. they are on their jobs, but for these 30 to 40 soldiers their work is really their classroom.

Every 12 weeks Letterman Army Medical Center graduates soldiers for the final part of a two phase course as primary patient care specialists.

According to Lt. Col. Jack Gibbons, training supervisor, the students first receive four weeks of basic nursing procedures at the Health Sciences Academy at Fort Sam Houston, Tex. before coming to LAMC.

"The first four weeks are spent mostly in the classroom covering such topics as taking pulse and temperature, how to feed patients, bed-bath theory, basic patient care, medical terminology, human sexuality, interpersonal relationships between the staff, and anatomy of the heart," explained Gibbons. "Then the students are sent to various medical centers and medical activities around the country."

The second phase of their training is basically 12 weeks of hands on learning according to MSgt. Leslie Rayford, course NCOIC.

Rayford points out that the students are rotated among various services such as surgery, medicine and the emergency room, during their stay.

The students are rotated through the sections where they practice the procedures they learned, during the first four weeks, under the watchful eye of other staff members and instructor Sp6 Arthur Roe.

To graduate the students must have 350 of a possible 500 points. To get to the hands on stage they must have also earned another 350 to pass phase I.

The points are awarded each week by the wardmasters based on the students performance of the procedures he was taught. Another 20 points are awarded for military bearing and other administrative areas.

The students work from 7:45 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.,



Learning through practice

Privates Pearl Young and Lori Boyle take vital signs from patients in the AIM clinic. The two are currently undergoing 12 weeks of training in prim-

ary patient care. They completed four weeks of classroom work prior to coming to LAMC. (Photo by Daniel Jackson)

but Roe points out that there is additional homework such as reading case studies and learning about the interactions of various drugs.

At the end of the 12 weeks training the students are able to perform as "basic assistants to the professional nurse, providing basic nursing care to patients in all clinical settings whether that be in a clinic or hospital ward," commented Gibbons.

Prior to attending the course all the students attend the patient care assistance course, a prerequisite for the specialist course which is required if the students want to go on to become licensed vocational nurses.

So, the next time you enter LAMC remember those soldiers wearing the blue cards on their chest are working to make your medical care the best possible.



Fire may total Army vehicle

A Presidio fireman cools off part of an Army sedan. The "minor" engine fire may result in the vehicle being scrapped. According to firefighter Timothy Crockett, Presidio firemen scrambled to the scene behind building 39 at 10:30 a.m. Monday after workers saw paint bubbling on the hood of the car in the parking lot. Damage was limited to melted

wiring and rubber hoses on the engine. Despite the limited damage, Bruce Terpstra of the post transportation branch said that the sedan may have to be scrapped. He cited FORSCOM guidelines which limit repairs to \$450 on any government vehicle more than eight years old with more than 80,000 miles. The sedan involved, a 1973 Chevrolet, meets both of those conditions.

Discount fares end in March

Presidio soldiers are reminded that they have until the end of March to take advantage of reduced air fares being offered by several major airline companies.

Department of the Army (DA) officials say the military traffic management command (MTMC) is trying to convince air carriers to continue offering the 50 percent discount beyond the March 31 expiration date.

Maj. Gen. John D. Bruen, MTMC commander, said, "The response by these airlines is a definite boost to the morale and welfare of military personnel everywhere. We are looking for increased participation to include all airlines, plus an indefinite extension past the March 31, 1981 date."

Presently, there are 11 air carriers participating in the 50 percent furlough fare program. With the exception of USAIR which has no expiration date for its reduced furlough fares, active duty servicemembers and Coast Guard personnel on leave or pass can fly within the continental United States for half price. Officials note the special reduced rates do not apply to overseas flights or servicemembers families.

Besides USAIR, other airlines offering the 50 percent air fare discount on a trial basis are Trans World Airlines (TWA), American, Continental, United, Western, Pan American (Pan Am) Eastern, Northwest, Piedmont and Braniff.

Officials explain soldiers traveling on leave or pass at their own expense are eligible for the discounts. Eligible soldiers must present their green identification card to buy tickets under the trial program.

TWA, USAIR and Pan Am offer the 50 percent discount on all domestic routes, while the other eight airlines provide the reduced fare on selected routes only.

Some see double at COMPACT

by Tim Dewar

"It was only a part-time job then, but it sure beat wading around in the pond all day," explained Ciconia, a graying, arthritic white stork.

"I had just fallen asleep, when I heard Number 42 you have a double going to New Orleans, so I filed my flight plan picked up the twins and was on my way. It was a pretty cold night, so I bundled them up really good in their little pink blanket before I took off."

"Boy was she surprised to see what I had for her," Ciconia added. "She was expecting one, but when I brought her two, I thought she was going to faint."

The night Ciconia was refering to was Feb. 15, 1963, and the twins he delivered to Louise P. Watkins that night now work together here.

Carolyn and Marilyn Major, or the twins, as they are known, work in the records maintenance section of COMPACT.

Although they can't remember Ciconia, the white stork, whose visits were long believed to be the sign of a birth, they do know their mother was surprised.

"She was told she wouldn't have twins, so she only had one set of clothes for us," explained Carolyn.

"She had to go out and find another set that was the same," added Marilyn.

Being identical twins has it's drawbacks they agreed, "Our grandmother couldn't tell us apart, she used to get upset because she couldn't tell us apart and she would finally say, One of you come here," Carolyn said.

"Another thing," added Marilyn, "there was less money to go around with two of us."

The twins, whose job includes putting documents into and filing soldiers records agree that it is "alright" working with each other. "It's nice to have someone you know to work with," remarked Carolyn.

"It's been alright," added Marilyn, but the next job I get, I hope it will be by myself."

The combined weight of four-and-one-half pounds of the twins was no problem for Ciconia back then, "But low flying planes and high-rise buildings have taken their toll on me," he explained. "Besides, there is more money in selling pickles."



Seeing double

Marilyn and Carolyn Major, a set of identical twins, review a suspense slip at COMPACT. The

twins work in the records maintenance section of COMPACT. (Photo by Tim Dewar)

Budget counseling

Newcomb can show Presidians ways to make ends meet and get out of debt

by Tim Dewar

If you find there is too much month left at the end of your paycheck, then maybe your budget needs a rundown.

Such a service is available at the Army Community Services office from Mrs. Dianne Newcomb, budget counselor.

"The first thing I do," explains Newcomb, "is list the monthly living expenses to determine what the discretionary expenses are. Then I list the allotments, because sometimes these can be adjusted too. I also list the amounts that are spent monthly, and as we go along, I try to make helpful suggestions as far as how expenses can be lowered.

Total expenses subtracted

Newcomb then explained, "I then subtract the total of what they are making from the total expenses, then from there we go on and list the other creditors such as credit cards and finance companies, then we total these up to determine if the peson is working within their means."

"If they are not," Newcome explained, "I recommend a second program called the Debt Liquidation Program. This is a formal program modeled after the Consumer Credit Counsellors Program in which people enroll. I go to the creditors and negotiate for lower payments that are within the couple's ability to pay. The program," adds Newcomb, "includes a meeting every payday between me and the debtors."

Newcomb attributes the success of the pro-

gram to the fact that "Collectors would rather receive small payments than no payments."

"The third service available is called a Chapter 13 Wage Earner Plan," stated Newcomb. "It is administered by a trustee of the court, and what we do here is to help people formulate their payment plan and get them together so they can take it down to the court."

No lawyer needed

"This," Newcomb remarked, "can be done without a lawyer, and since I do the para-legal work and all the typing, this saves them about \$300."

Newcomb adds, "There are a few minor costs to the soldier, in the form of money orders that I send to the trustee to purchase a packet of legal papers, and another for filing fees."

"When all this is done, and if the plan is approved," commented Newcomb, "the money just comes out in the form of an allotment and goes directly to the trustee."

Some debts disappear

"Another benefit of the program, Newcomb points out, "Is that it is possible that on completion of paying 70 percent of an unsecured debt over a three to five year period, that the balance be marked paid, so it's kind of like having a fairy wave a magic wand over your debts and making them disappear."

"There is a difference," Newcomb pointed out,

"between secure and unsecure debts. A secure debt is when a creditor can take something back, such as a car or furniture, these must be paid in full, but an unsecure debt is like a credit card debt."

Newcomb added, "A good credit rating is very important, and taking these steps can help improve your credit rating."

"Military members have trouble establishing credit, because there isn't one nationwide credit reporting system, it is a regional thing," Newcomb emphasized.

Establish credit

She advises military personnel who want to establish credit in this area, "To borrow some money and pay it back over a short period of time. It is important to repay the loan, or this will damage your credit rating.

"Another method," Newcomb recommends, "is to buy something fairly inexpensive and pay it off on time, but be sure to buy from someone who feeds into the credit reporting system."

Newcomb then pointed out, "The Army is doing something interesting about this problem. People returning from overseas who have bought something on credit from the PX over there, should bring a letter from the PX containing all of their credit information and submit it to the credit reporting system at their new duty station."

Newcomb concluded, "Anyone can come in for a budget rundown, but we do ask that you call for an appointment first."

Time to spare

Events planned to celebrate anniversaries

"The Apple Tree," three musical comedies opens tomorrow at 8 p.m. at the Presidio Playhouse.

The trio, "The Diary of Adam and Eve," "The Lady or the Tiger" and "Passionella," will play on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., on Sundays at 7 p.m., and on Thursdays, Feb. 12 and 19, also at 8 p.m.

Presidians can get a sneak preview of the "Apple Tree," Feb. 3 and 10 during special noon-time performances at the Playhouse.

Beginning at 11:45 a.m. Presidians may bring their lunches to the free performance of "The Diary of Adam and Eve". Free coffee and punch will be available.

Tickets for the "Apple Tree" are available at the Playhouse box office Monday through Friday between 1 and 5 p.m.

Former U. S. Chess Champion and International Master John Grefe, will give a lecture and then play the entire audience simultaneously **Feb. 5** at the **Presidio Recreation Center**. The event begins at **7:30**.

A Bay area inter-faith service will be held at St. Ignatius Church at Fulton Street and Parker Avenue on Sunday, to mark "Four Chaplains' Sunday."

Representatives of the Jewish, Catholic and Protestant faiths will participate in the service which marks the 38th anniversary of four heroic chaplains who gave their life belts that other might live and went to their deaths when the troop transport S.S. Dorchester was torpedoed off the coast of Greenland.

The service will start at 2 p.m. with a 30 minute concert by the **Sixth Army Band**. Also participating will be **Chaplain (Maj.) Robert Mask** of the Presidio chapel.

If your New Year's fizzled, or even if it didn't, you can catch the late show in San Francisco.

The west's biggest Chinese community is getting ready to ring in the Year of the Rooster, 4679 on the Chinese lunar calendar.

Family doings traditionally preempt the first days of the holiday season which starts on Feb. 5 (1981).

The public revelry will erupt downtown on Feb. 14 and continue for a full week, according to the San Francisco Convention & Visitors Bureau.

The high point will come on the night of Saturday, Feb. 21, when hundreds of thousands of parade-goers line the streets and salvos of firecrackers signal the approach of the splendiferous Golden Dragon.

In spite of his bird-like appearance, the rooster ranks as one of the 12 symbolic beasts of the Chinese zodiacal order. He will rule the roost, astrologically speaking, until Jan. 25, 1982, when the dog will have his day. Other animals in the lunar cycle are the boar, rat, ox, tiger, hare, dragon, serpent, horse, ram and monkey.

The Chinese word for rooster is pronounced "gaiee" in Cantonese, "ji" in Mandarin.

The ancient Chinese called the cock "the domestic animal which knows how to tell time" and characterized him as intelligent, courageous, commanding and loyal.

The feisty farm-bred fowl was credited with shooing away demons and fending off misfortune.

Obviously, the feathered sentinel that signals the dawn has close ties with the sun. Legend has it that a golden cock inhabits the golden orb. It follows that we can look forward to a lot of sun in 1981 as well as major advances in the development of solar energy.

The prestige of the poultry king is reflected in the fact that, for ceremonial purposes, a rooster can be substituted for a human. If a bridegroom was unable to attend his wedding, it was once the practice in China to use a rooster as proxy.

The auguries are auspicious for writer's publishers and serious scholars because the cockscomb symbolizes literary success and scholarship.

The San Francisco USO will celebrate its 40th birthday with an open house from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Feb. 4 at its downtown center, 530 Taylor St. The canteen will be open for free cookies and coffee, just as it has been for the military for the past 40 years.

In addition to its canteen, hospitality and



Won't you come up and see me sometime

Debra Lewandowski plays the title role in "Passionella," a rags to riches comic story of a movie star. The musical comedy is one of three one-act

musicals in "The Apple Tree," opening at the Presidio Playhouse January 30. (Photo by Andrej Novak)

entertainment programs, San Francisco USO serves as a sightseeing, information and referral center. USO staff and volunteers also meet and greet visiting US and foreign ships.

USO came into being, here and throughout the

US on Feb. 4, 1941, just nine months before the United States entered World War II.

All military veterans and USO volunteers from the 40's, 50's, 60's, 70's, and 80's, as well as the general public, are welcome to attend.

Presidio movie scene

Presidio Theater

Jan. 30 **The Awakening** (R) 7 p.m.
Jan. 31 **Star Trek—The Motion Picture** (G) 2 p.m.
Jan. 31 **Star Trek—The Motion Picture** (G) 7 p.m.
Feb. 1 **Star Wars** (PG) 7 p.m.
Feb. 2 **Star Wars** (PG) 7 p.m.
Feb. 3 **Star Wars** (PG) 7 p.m.
Feb. 4 **Superman** (PG) 7 p.m.

Feb. 5 **Battle Beyond The Stars** (PG) 7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Jan. 30 **Can't Stop The Music** (PG) 7 p.m.
Feb. 2 **The Awakening** (R) 7 p.m.
Feb. 3 **Star Trek—The Motion Picture** (G) 7 p.m.
Feb. 4 **Star Wars** (PG) 7 p.m.
Feb. 5 **Star Wars** (PG) 7 p.m.

Sports

Doctors, 504th, Staff Stuffers take the lead in three post intramural basketball leagues

Headquarters Company USAG held off a frantic comeback attempt by the 170th MP Co. to win 41-38, during Monday evening's intramural basketball action.

In the first half, the men from Garrison looked as if they were going to run away with the game scoring ten straight unanswered points from the opening tip-off.

The 170th, however, regained their composure and struck back by tightening up their zone defense then hitting the open shot when available.

The first half ended with USAG ahead 22-21.

In the second half both teams were unable to score effectively, with USAG eventually hitting a hot streak late in the game, pulling into a ten point lead.

Once again the 170th regrouped, lead by ball-hawking **Joseph Nichols**, and was able to cut the lead to three points before the final buzzer.

Scoring leaders were **Lonnie West** with 15 points for USAG and **John Watts** who tossed in 11 points for the losers.

In the second game of the night, the **Doctors cut up the 864th Engineers 42-35**.

Both teams continued where their previous game ended, missing numerous shots for a low shooting percentage, ending the first half tied at 16 all.

In the second half both teams were still unable to hit the open shot. The Doctors however, were able to go inside with better luck.

The winners were led by **James Sutherland** with 13 points while **Mashawn Robinson** tossed in nine for the 864th.

On Tuesday, the HHD 504th MP Bn. lead by **Stanley Hall** and **Russell White** with 16 points apiece defeated the 170th 52-46.

The 504th overcame a 10 point deficit early in the second half on a hot streak combined with sloppy ball handling by the 170th.

The losers were paced by **Limas Sweed** with 22 points.

LAMC "A" had only four players in the scorebook, but had enough fire power to defeat the **Public Health Service 52-46**.

The winners were lead by **Duane Gibson** with 30 points, six of which came in the final minute of the game. **Chuck Denny** tossed in 19 for the PHS.

The Staff Stuffers upended LAIR, 76-62, for the number one spot in the Bay League in Wednesday's actions.

There is definitely a great deal to say about having bench depth in order to win basketball games, but on this occasion, the Stuffers had only six players, while their opponents came manned with eleven.

The Stuffers, with uncanny ease, eliminated LAIR by riddling their zone defense from inside as well as outside running up an eventual 20 point lead late in the second half.

The winners were lead by **Eddie Brown** who tossed in 43 points and **Karl Gaffney** who added



Upward bound

A player prepares to put the ball in the basket during intramural basketball action. In last week's action HQ Co. USAG, the Doctors, HHD, 504th

MP Battalion, and the Staff Stuffers all emerged victorious. (File photo)

22. The losers were paced by **Cliton Becket** and **Charles White** with 18 points each.

LAMC (4) topped LAMC (5) 35-26 in a game that featured poor ball control.

The winners were lead by **Linwood Barnes** with 10 points while the losers' **Joe Hogan** tossed in 22.

The Doctors kept their record spotless by mauling the 170th MP Co. 42 to 29.

While picking-off their opponents' bad passes the Doctors had tremendous success utilizing a patient offense which found **Richard Odom** open deep in the corners all night for a game high 16 points. **Stanley Moss'** nine points lead the losers.

Racquetballers take doubles title

The Presidio Racquetball team has returned after a successful showing at the first FORSCOM tournament at Fort Hood.

Bill James, LAMC, and **Al Viramontes**, 864th Engineers, took the Open Doubles title by defeating a tough Fort Campbell team 21-13 and 21-20.

In the Open Singles division both James and Viramontes advanced to the semi-finals.

James lost to the eventual winner Don Bennett of Fort Campbell and Viramontes was stop-

ped by the Fort Meade player.

In the Senior division **John Funes** and **Ron Vescovi** were eliminated in the second day's action.

The Presidio women, **Mary Dailey** and **Betty Adams**, were eliminated during the third day in both the singles and doubles area.

James and Viramontes were selected to the FORSCOM all-star team and will compete in the Army championships next month.

Bowlers roll along

Presidio's Elite won three games from McClellan Air Force Base and dropped two of three to Travis No. 1 in action at the Presidio Bowling Center.

High scores for the day included a 233 (615) for **Roger Goodman**, a 213 (560) for **Tony LeCroy** and a 216 (533) for **Jim Seale**.

High scores from previous matches has LeCroy rolling 10 strikes for a 289 game and 653 series.

The next traveling match starred Dennis Werne also rolling 10 in a row for a 286 and a 637 series.

The Elite travels to Beale AFB this weekend.

Boxer Rutherford wins for Presidio at Berkeley

Willis Rutherford, USACC, won his first fight representing the Presidio by ripping Mitch Alsop from Cabrillo Junior College, during the University of California at Berkeley Invitation last Friday.

Rutherford downed Alsop with a combination

left and right.

Other teams participating in the event were the Santa Cruz Boxing Club, More University, Navy, Santa Clara University and UC Berkeley.

The Presidio boxer will participate in the University of Reno Invitational.

Presidio News Notes

Brown honored by NCOA

First Sergeant Doyle Brown of Letterman Army Medical Center has received a \$1000 savings bond after being named the top recruiter for the Non-commissioned Officers Association for 1980.

Brown was selected from over 200,000 members. He was also recently elected chairman of the Golden Gate Chapter.

Call first, please

In last week's Star Presidian a story appeared about the use of marijuana detection dogs in health and welfare inspections. This newspaper would like to clarify one significant point which is vital to unit command personnel.

According to legal authorities on the Presidio, commanders should contact the chief of criminal law, **prior** to authorizing any inspection which might make use of detection dogs.

The criminal law section of the Staff Judge Advocate's office can be reached at 561-5145.

Cleary to speak here

The Letterman Women's Club will hold a **Sweetheart Luncheon Feb. 12** at the Presidio Officer's Club.

Mike Cleary of KNBR radio will be the guest speaker and husbands are invited to attend with their wives.

The event gets underway at 11:30 a.m. Reservations must be made by noon on Feb. 10 by calling Elly Barry at 561-4610, or Bernice See at 897-0851.

Bake sale announced

The Aquarius Swim Team will hold a **bake sale at the first floor elevators of Letterman Army Medical Center Feb. 6** from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Luncheon scheduled

Participants in the monthly cultural luncheons sponsored by the post Equal Opportunity Office will be going Chinese during February.

According to Capt. Ron Seikel, equal oppor-



No poor butterfly here

This picture of a butterfly and a flower has won the **Photo of the Week** honors. Once again the winning picture was taken by Mr. F.L. Terry, of the

tunity officer, the luncheon will be held Feb. 10 with a bus departing the main bus stop at 11:40 a.m. and returning around 1 p.m.

The restaurant selected for this month's outing offers service in a "Chinese family style" buffet, says Seikel who also warns there is only seating for 30 people.

Reservations for the meal, which will cost around \$5 a person, can be made by calling 561-3701 or 5730.

Installation Club Management. If you have a photo you'd like to see here bring it by our newsroom, Room 216 in Bldg. 37. Weekly winners compete for a quarterly award.

Wives to meet

The **Enlisted Men's Wives' Club** will hold their **monthly meeting Feb. 2 at 7 p.m.** in the Community Center (formerly the Log Cabin).

The club is open to all enlisted mens' wives in grades E-1 through E-9.

For more information call Mrs. Juanita Neal at 561-6234.

California Junior Miss contestants hold luncheon at NCO/Enlisted club

One of the California Junior Miss competitors seems totally involved in a conversation with one of the pageant's officials. The county representatives visited the Presidio last week to hold a luncheon at the NCO/Enlisted Club. (Photo by Tim Dewar)



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Hiring freeze has far reaching effect

by K. Douglas Cook

The hiring freeze ordered by President Ronald Reagan just hours after taking the oath of office on Jan. 20 will have far more serious consequences than any freeze in recent history.

Although subject to interpretation by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), the freeze was signed by Reagan January 24 and backdated to all action beginning November 5, 1980.

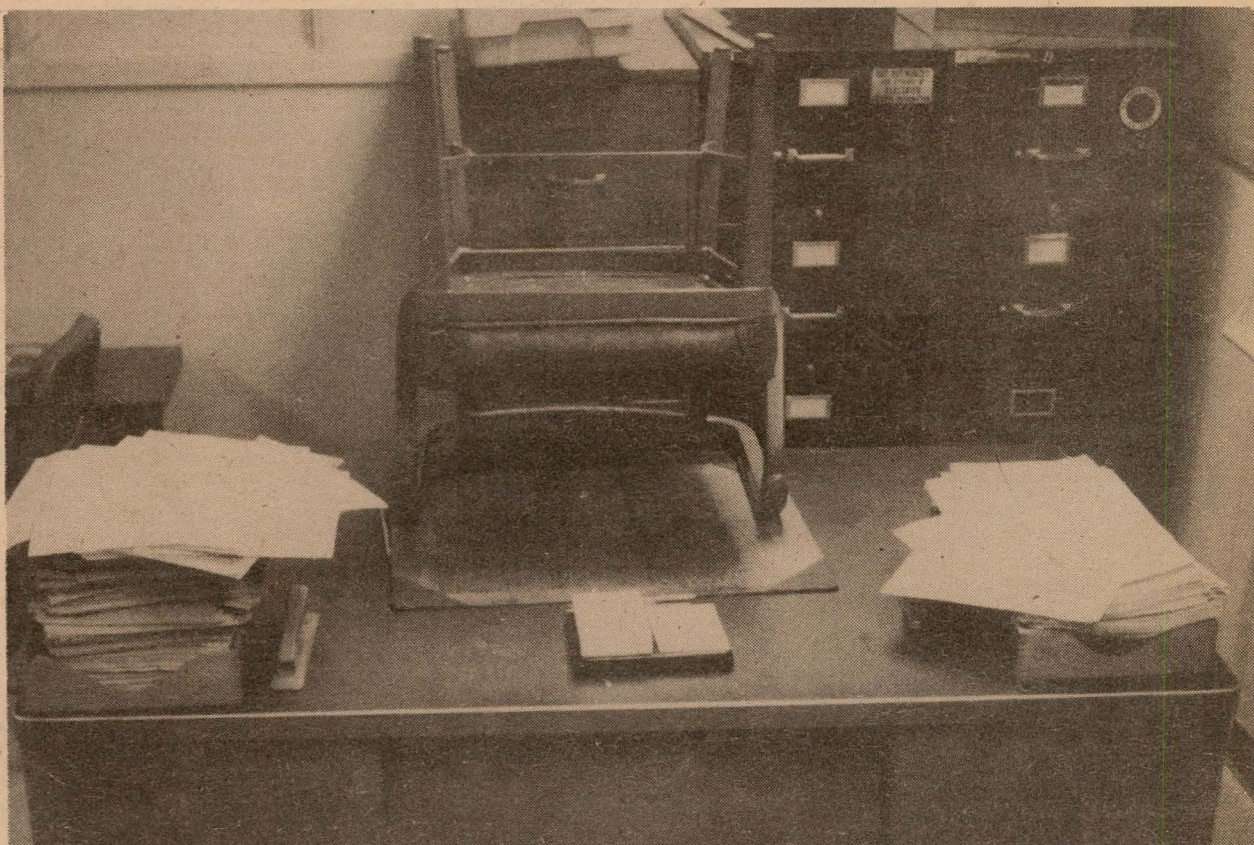
Unlike the hiring freeze imposed by President Carter, which allowed the filling of one civilian vacancy out of every two, the Reagan move is far more stiff in its wording and scope.

"This is by far the toughest, most stringent freeze I've seen in my time with civilian personnel," says Alex Reyes, Civilian Personnel Officer of the Presidio. Reyes, who has been the chief of civilian personnel since 1979 and a personnel specialist for some 15 years, talked about the direct effect upon the Presidio. "The freeze restricts our ability to hire people from our major sources... outside the federal service and from other federal agencies in the Bay Area."

In essence, the hiring freeze eliminates new employees being recruited into federal service. Included in the freeze are all jobs considered to be temporary, permanent, part-time, full-time, intermittent, direct and indirect hire. At present, the Reagan freeze does not include positions in executive-level jobs or noncareer positions in the Senior Executive Service. Also not included in the action are jobs considered to be in the so-called special employment categories such as Student Aides, the Stay In School (SIS) Program and Junior Federal Fellowship Program.

Exemptions to this freeze may be granted at the OMB level. Jobs which, according to Army reports, protect life and property may still be filled although specific approval will have to be sought. The president's new policy does allow the Secretary of Defense to approve the hiring of temporary personnel for traditionally seasonal jobs within DoD.

One of the offshoots of the retroactive phase of this hiring freeze is that many employees who were hired before Reagan took office, but after November 5, may not have a job at all! One magazine report indicates that as many as 20,000 persons have found themselves with a job promise which means very little. Officials at OMB



are indicating there might be room for exceptions where obvious "hardships" occur. These cases, however, will be considered only on an individual basis where real proof is presented by that prospective employee.

In total, however, the picture seems grim for the Army and the Presidio. Wages paid to federal employees are not competitive with wages in the local Bay Area civilian market which makes recruiting more difficult. One aspect of the new freeze is that recruiting and placement of employees can only be made from within DoD. No longer will federal employees in other federal agencies, such as the IRS or Park Service, for example, be allowed to apply for jobs within the Defense Department and visa versa.

"The Presidio has a high turn-over rate for civilian employees," says Reyes. "It is estimated to be somewhere near 40 percent of the total

Presidio civilian staff per year. We may be forced to adjust the current civilian work force to fill in the gaps."

Another potential of this freeze was addressed recently by Gen. E. C. Meyer, Army Chief of Staff, when he testified before Congress that it will be almost necessary to "borrow" military personnel to fill in where no civilian employee can be found. Meyer went on to indicate that such a policy of using military personnel is one of the causes for a lower state of Army tactical readiness.

Reyes did state that civilian employees currently within DoD can still expect the opportunity to seek promotions and transfers as long as these are within the Defense Department family. What other far-reaching effects this freeze will have on the Army and the Presidio still remains to be seen.

Quarterly blood drive set for Tuesday

Staff members from the Irwin Memorial Blood Bank will be on post Tuesday for the quarterly blood drive. The first drive of 1981 will take place at the Presidio NCO/EM Club from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and at the old MOS library, building 1277, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Appointments can be made by contacting unit or agency representatives.

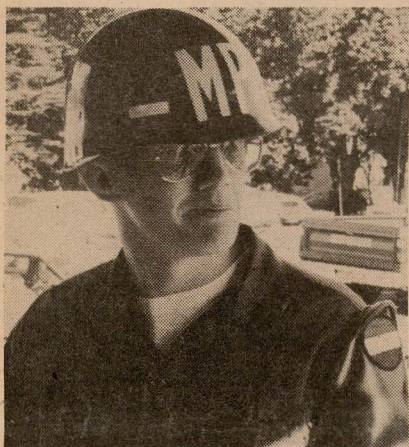
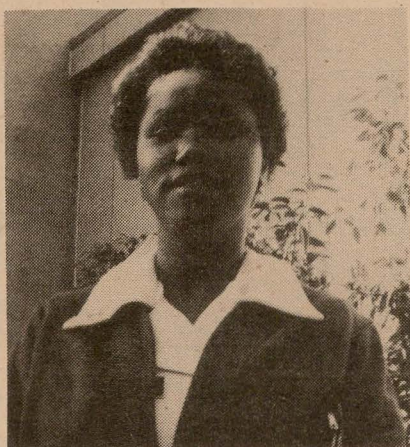


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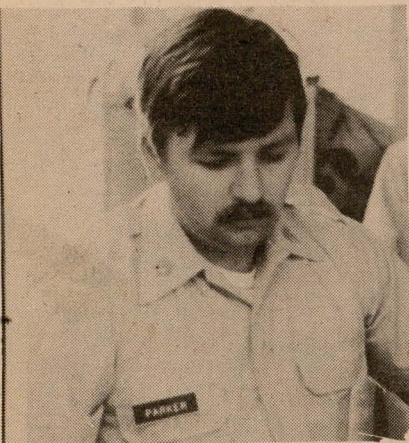
What is your opinion of leadership on the post?

PFC Sharon K. Cole, Dental Clinic—"Ha, Ha, that's what I think. I think the quality of leadership is very poor at LAMC, and if this is an example of today's Army, tomorrow we are in trouble."



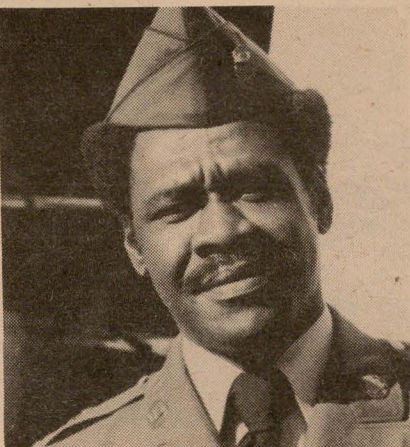
Sp4 James Quinn, 170th MP Co.—"They do a good job. If you have a problem, you can go to your squad leader, and he will take care of it. As far as the chain of command, I have never had any problem with it."

SSgt. Danny Pulley, 864th Engineers—"I think the leadership here is rather ineffective. Take the 864th for example, they have no mission on the Presidio. Leadership should be more effective in that area."



Spec 6 Michael Parker, Staff Judge Advocate—"I don't think they put enough emphasis on the troops, especially the ones who live in the barracks. I don't think they would live in the billets in the condition they are in. Then they wonder why moral is so low. To me, it's quite obvious."

Spec 4 Eugene Sparrow, Mail and Distribution—"The leadership on this post leaves a lot to be desired. The priority level placed on the troops is too low. This can be seen in the living conditions they must face in the barracks."



We should lead by example not exemption

"I get no respect."

That's not Rodney Dangerfield talking, that's my reaction after two captains failed to return my salute last Thursday evening.

This bizarre incident occurred in the parking lot next to the Letterman EEO office.

Both of these gentlemen were walking along with bags slung over their shoulders, one with his hand in his pocket, discussing some topic of mutual concern.

As they approached, I snapped off my salute with a good afternoon sirs, and waited for the salute to be returned. If they hadn't moved out of sight, I might still be waiting.

The only acknowledgement was a blank stare from one and a nod from the other. Neither made an effort to return the salute.

This incident was highly insulting to me. It showed a general lack of respect for me as a soldier.

Aside from the insult, this is also an example of the almost total disregard for military bearing and

proper wear of the uniform which has become very much in style in some circles here.

This attitude seems to have reached all but the most senior of persons.

I recently saw a lieutenant colonel walking outside without his hat. An E-7's flapping (unzipped) green jacket caught my eye as he stood on a street corner.

These are a few of the cases I have seen in the past week. Just think of the list I would have if I wrote down everything I have seen during my tour here.

Those of us in leadership positions have to start looking in the mirror and make sure that our uniforms, haircuts and military courtesy are in order before we ask those junior to us to obey these same regulations.

Regulations are for all of us whether we agree with them or not. We must not lead by exemption but by example.

SSgt. Tom Tiernan
Editor

A farewell to readers

This issue marks my last as Star Presidian editor. During the past 20 months it has been both a challenge and a pleasure to serve you.

I leave here with a great deal of pride and satisfaction at the growth and success of this paper. I cannot, however, take all the credit for that success.

There have been many people who have given much to this newspaper. And we have frequently acknowledged and thanked them.

There is one person, however, who has not received much credit. He is not one to seek it or order that it be done. He is the post commander, Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr.

It is the dream of almost every military journalist to be given the editorship of a newspaper where the commander does not dictate what appears. My dream came true.

We are lucky to have a man such as Col. Hall. He has always put the needs and the interest of the soldiers, civilians and dependents of this post ahead of any other consideration.

Without his support, many of the bad news items which have appeared in this paper would not have seen the light of day, because

he believes in telling the good and the bad side.

There have been times when the commander has asked that certain articles run which did not always fit into what I considered proper for the newspaper. But on the other hand he has allowed stories to run which weren't always in his best interest.

The Star Presidian is a much better newspaper because of the support—and vision of Col. Hall. I only hope that future editors of this paper will have commanders such as Col. Hall.

I know this sounds like a lot of apple-polishing, but if you look at other post newspapers, you can see why I have decided to thank Col. Hall publicly.

Many other newspapers contain photo after photo of the commander doing different things. Our paper has photos of and stories about Presidians doing their thing.

For this support I just want to say, "thank you, sir."

As I leave for my new assignment in Izmir, Turkey, I do so gratified for the support, comments and letters from you, our readers.

I wish each of you the very best in life.

SSgt. Tom Tiernan
Editor

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New child care center opens

by H. T. Linke

Using a \$100,000 grant from the U. S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children, Youth and Families, and \$20,000 from the United Way of the Bay Area, the Presidio Child Development Center, with the assistance of three professional child development consultants, has opened a model child care program serving the Presidio community.

Known as the SHARE Center, this pilot program simulates the natural family setting in providing advanced child care services to 24 military dependent children ranging in age from six weeks to five years.

In spite of the fact that the current project is presently affecting only 24 children, the techniques and knowledge gained here could affect some or all military dependent children worldwide. According to Lt. Col. Larrie Wanberg, project director and chief of Social Work Services at Letterman Army Medical Center, "This project may ultimately affect not only the 1200 military children in Bay Area military child care centers, but also the 325,000 children in military child care facilities worldwide."

By Wanberg's accounting, there may be as many as one million children of military families who at one time or another could be affected by the results of programs such as the SHARE Center.

The heart of the SHARE Center is the simulation of the natural family setting. Neel Stallings, Margaret Stallings and Barbara Knight, the child development professionals involved, note that the selection of caregivers for the center is especially important.

Care will be provided by a male/female team of primary caregivers, and a college-age youth and a senior citizen will complete the model staff. In addition, many of the center's activities duplicate or are patterned after activities in the home. These include practical life skills such as pour-



Learning through practice

Youngsters at the Presidio's SHARE Center enjoy familiar surroundings in this special day care facility. The SHARE Center is holding an open

ing, buttoning, scooping, housekeeping skills, and a playhouse area in the center of the room complete with lightswitches and a telephone.

When asked about the significance of this program, both the child care professionals and Wanberg agree that it signals a recognition on the part of the military that child care needs trained personnel. This is a definite switch from babysitting services to developmental care for the total needs of the child.

One thing the consultants caution against is being misled by the amount of money involved since the grant is intended to provide only start-up costs for several component programs, of

house today from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. for interested persons. The center is located in building 516. (Photo by John Green.)

which the SHARE Center is a part. After one year, the programs need to be self-supporting. There's still plenty of room left for parents and senior citizens to volunteer for all phases of the project.

Volunteering to work in the center provides not only valuable work experience and training opportunities, but also provides invaluable support in the Presidio community.

Spaces are also available in the program for three and four year old children. Anyone interested can contact the SHARE Center at 561-5235.

Held in German prison camp for 5 months

First woman POW buried here last week

A former Army Air Corps nurse who holds a very special place in history was buried at the San Francisco National Cemetery last Thursday.

Reba Whittle Tobiason, who served for four years in the military, died January 26 at Mather Air Force Base at the age of 61. Her service began during World War II and it was then she earned her special recognition.

Tobiason was assigned to a hospital near London and cared for the thousands of wounded

Allied soldiers from the European theater. As part of her job, she also regularly flew on medical evacuation missions into hostile areas.

On September 27, 1944, the plane in which Tobiason was flying was hit by German anti-aircraft fire and shot down near Aachen, Germany.

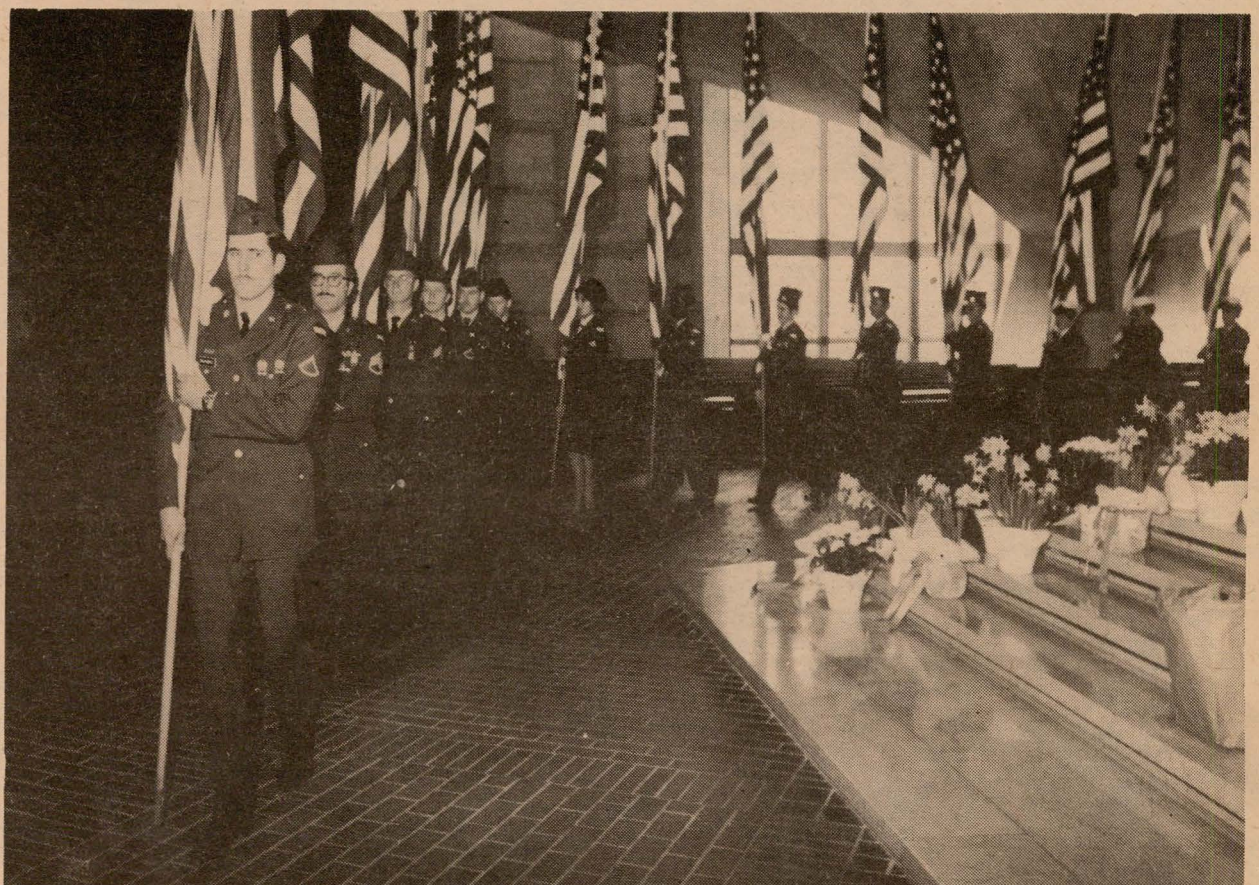
Thus Tobiason became the first woman prisoner-of-war in World War II. She was held at Stalag Luft 9 until February 5, 1945 when she

was returned to Allied control via Switzerland. In recognition of her contribution and bravery, She was awarded the Air Medal and the Purple Heart.

Just prior to her death, this Rock Springs, Tex. native was said to have intently followed the journey of the 52 American hostages from Iran. It is reported Tobiason identified with the plight and alleged abusive treatment they received at the hands of the Iranian capturers.

Soldiers help salute 52 freed Americans

Members of the 504th Military Police Battalion march into ceremonies celebrating the return of the 52 American hostages from Iran. The ceremonies were held at St. Mary's Cathedral in downtown San Francisco Jan. 29 and featured the Presidio soldiers and members of the other services in a symbolic 52-flag color guard. (Photo by Bill Makiel)



Sexual harassment is nothing to be fooling around with

by Tom Tiernan

The secretary sits at her desk typing the final letter of the day. Soon her boss emerges from his office, puts his arm around her and asks, "Hey honey, why don't we go somewhere and have a drink after work?"

Meanwhile on the other side of post a private first class is called into the supervisor's office to discuss the next day's work. As she leaves the supervisor pats her on her rear and tells her what a good job she's been doing.

Whether they know it or not **these two supervisors may have just committed an act of sexual harassment** and their actions could ruin their careers and even bring criminal charges.

Many supervisors could surprisingly find themselves being charged with sexual harassment for acts they considered purely innocent or in jest.

The surprise comes because only last year was there a clear cut definition of sexual harassment issued. In the April 11, 1980 Federal Register, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission published the following definition of sexual harassment:

"Unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature constitutes sexual harassment when submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment. When submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used as the basis for employment decisions affecting that individual. Or when such

conduct has the purpose or effect of substantially interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating hostile or offensive working environment."

A recent decision by the Court of Appeals in Washington, D. C. took that definition one step further when it ruled that a woman can sue her employer to stop sexual harassment without proving that she was fired or lost job benefits because she resisted such conduct.

In its ruling the court said it had to reach out to bar employers whom maintaining a "discriminatory environment" because those guilty of such conduct could continue to sexually harass employees by stopping short of firing the employee or taking any other action against the victim which would restrict their rights and benefits as a federal employee.

Creates discrimination

The court also ruled that sexual harassment creates an atmosphere of discrimination similar to a situation where racial slurs are used.

The court's decision is just one of several made during the past year which have brought the problem of sexual harassment, particularly in the federal government, to light.

The Presidio Equal Employment Opportunity Officer, Mr. Bob Joy, believes this new emphasis on eliminating sexual harassment has grown out of the tales of immorality that have come out of the nation's capital, Washington, D. C.

Joy also feels that the Congressman Wayne Hayes and Elizabeth Ray affair may have awakened people. "But things became quite clear after the Surface Personnel Management conducted a survey which found that over 50 percent of the women said they had been subjected to some form of sexual harassment."

Last summer several national magazine articles on sexual harassment in the Armed Forces combined with trials of several servicemembers on charges brought swift action from the Secretary and Chief of Staff of the Army to bring the matter under control.

Commander has policy

For Presidians, post commander Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., issued a policy which in part stated, "Sexual harassment is the deliberate or repeated unsolicited verbal comments, gestures, questions, representations or physical contacts of an intimate sexual nature which are unwelcome by the recipient. That includes making or threatening to make decisions affecting an employee's job on the basis of acceptance or refusal of sexual intimacies of any kind including suggestive jokes or remarks."

Hall went on to say, "Sexual harassment is a gross violation of professional ethics and integrity. It undermines the mission performance of this command. . . Sexual harassment by either sex is both unacceptable personal behavior and poor professionalism. We do not want and will not tolerate such disregard of a person's dignity at the Presidio of San Francisco."

Many victims of sexual harassment will say that these definitions and policies are fine but they won't stop harassment. So, what can be done?

Victims of sexual harassment, males and females, military and civilian have a number of avenues to file complaints.

Know what to do

However, before they go to any agency for assistance they should help their chances of proving sexual harassment by following these tips.

- **Recognize sexual harassment** for what it is and understand that it is not your fault. You have a right to complain and take action.

- **If possible, confront the offender directly.** If this person is told that what they have said or done has offended you and you won't tolerate it then they may stop. Insure you make it clear that you are not interested and that this behavior is unacceptable.

- **Keep a written record** of the incidents of harassment. If people are present during the situation say something like, "Did you hear what he just said?"

- **If the person doesn't stop go to your supervisor.** If the offender is the supervisor go to the person next in line. Keep a record of these complaints.

Other sources can help

If these steps fail to stop the harassment there are a number of places on post to go. Open to both military and civilians are the Inspector General, the Human Resources Development Division, the Equal Opportunity Office, the Staff Judge Advocate and the Military Police.

Civilians may also go to the Management-Employee Relations branch of CPO.

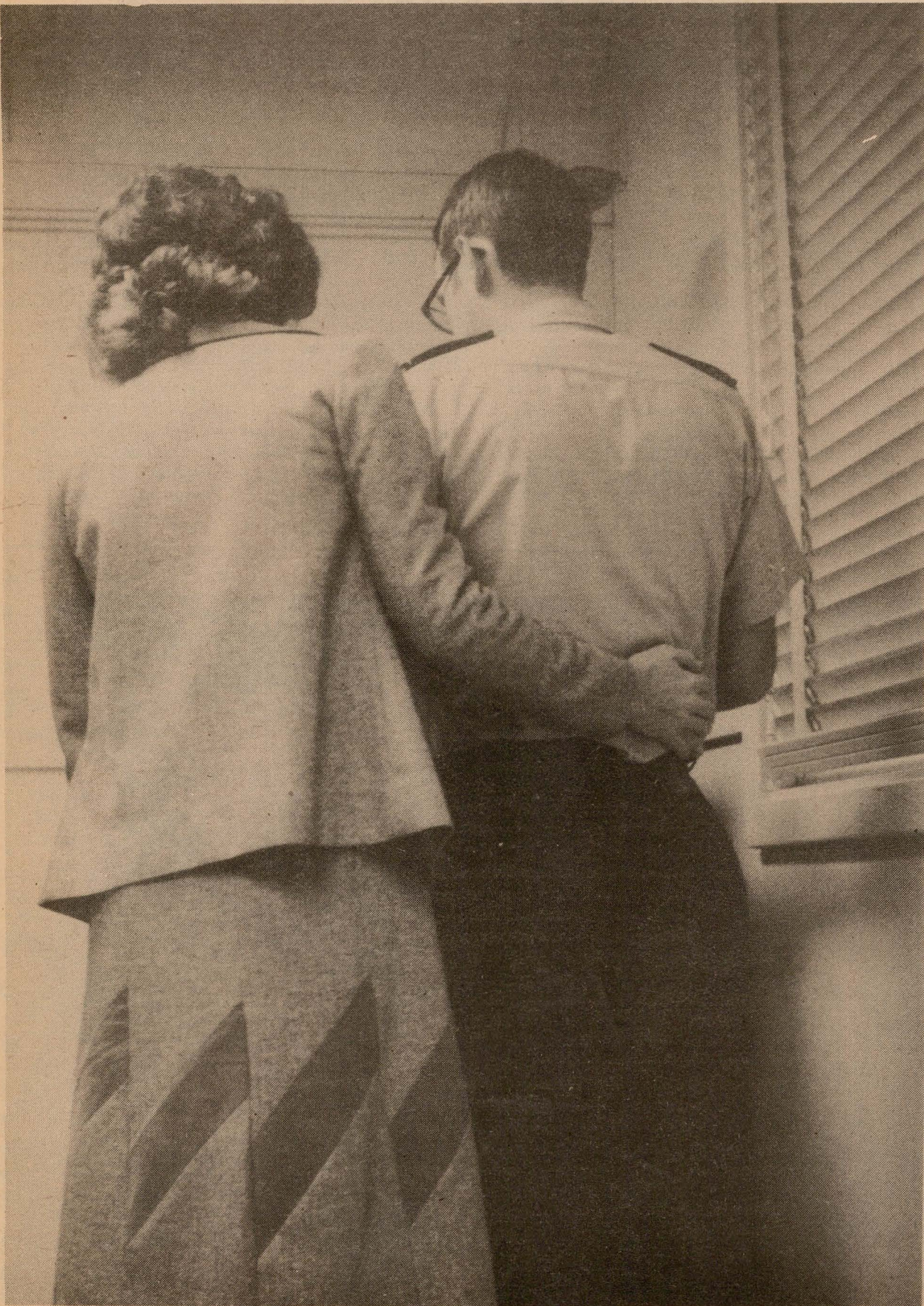
Soldiers may also use the chain of command in trying to solve this problem.

Once a complaint is received, it will be investigated by either the Equal Employment Opportunity Officer, the Equal Opportunity officers at HRDD, or the military police investigators of the CID, if criminal actions may be involved.

If a complaint is found to be true, a number of actions may occur.

Penalties for civilian employees guilty of sexual harassment range from letters of reprimand, suspension from one to 10 days for minor offenses to dismissal for major infractions or second occurrences.

Although the Uniform Code of Military Justice has no set provisions for charging a soldier with sexual harassment, Lt. Col. Harvey Kaplan, post staff judge advocate points out that



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Suspects practically walk into jail

by Tim Dewar

It was a busy and unusual week for the post MPs who solved a series of larcenies, foiled an attempted assault with a deadly weapon, and arrested two suspects for vandalizing the 504th MP Battalion motor pool.

What makes this week so unusual is the fact that three of the arrests were made when the suspects came to the MP station after escaping from the scene of the crime.

Another apprehension was made while the suspect was talking on the phone at the site of the crime, and the fifth was a citizen's arrest made by Presidio MPs in San Francisco.

On Jan. 26, while on routine patrol, PFC Peter Vepley and Pvt. Richard Silver thought they heard an alarm coming from the 504th MP motor pool. One of the two suspects, Keith A. Williams, 31, of San Francisco, had accidentally turned on the siren of one of the parked cruisers.

According to Capt. Richard Engle, Sixth Region CID, Williams and Charles H. Heel, Jr., age 23, are also suspected of defacing a desk, ripping out one of the phones and breaking an automobile battery, causing approximately \$250 in damage.

Maj. Robert Meybin, deputy Provost Marshal,

stated, "When the patrol arrived, one of the suspects had escaped, but the other was talking on the telephone and was apprehended at the scene."

"A few hours later," explains Sgt. Michael Perkins, who was on duty that night at the MP desk, "this guy came in and asked me if I had a cigarette. When I told him that I didn't smoke, he left."

"A little while later," Perkins adds, "he came back and asked me again. I repeated that I didn't smoke, so he left again. After the second time, I became suspicious and sent Sgt. Leonard Miller who was also working that night, out to question him."

Miller followed the suspect outside and conducted a field interview," Perkins reported. "He admitted that he was looking for his friend, the one who had been with him earlier that night at the 504th motor pool." He was apprehended. The incident is still under investigation by the FBI.

In a similar case Jan. 28, two suspects were arrested after reporting they lost a wallet. The wallet, however, was one dropped earlier in an attempted larceny at the main post gym.

According to Meybin, "The gym NCOIC Sgt. John Funes had alertly recognized something

suspicious, and surprised the two suspects who fled the scene. One of the suspects dropped his wallet and a lock that had been cut.

Meybin added, "About an hour later, Nicholas J. Mossa, an 18-year-old dependent of a retired servicemember who resides in San Francisco and a 17-year-old youth, came into the MP station. They asked if we had found a wallet one of them had lost."

MP investigators were called and upon further questioning, Mossa made a statement confessing to nine other larcenies at the post gym.

Mossa was charged with multiple counts of larceny and was taken to the San Francisco County Jail.

The other youth, a Presidio dependent, is also being held by San Francisco police.

The final episode in this unusual series of events took place while two MPs were returning from transporting Mossa to the county jail.

The two made a citizens arrest after they witnessed an attempted assault with a deadly weapon in downtown San Francisco and took the suspect into custody.

Meybin reports that the two soldiers are being considered for special recognition," points out Meybin.



Thanks for the memories

Five star salute set to honor the USO on its 40th birthday

Some might consider her a war baby for she came into being during the Second World War. And 40 years later she is as active as she was at birth. This grand lady is the USO.

For millions of service members, the USO has meant Saturday night dances, coffee and donuts and Bob Hope.

Where ever members of the Armed Forces are, the USO is there providing entertainment, a friendly smile and a listening ear.

Today the USO offers a variety of services including resume writing, referral service and tours.

A Five Star Salute to the USO will be held at the Presidio Officers' Club tomorrow evening beginning at 6:30.

Hollywood Actor Ed Ness will be the master of ceremonies and other stars will be on hand to provide entertainment.

Even at this gala in her honor, the USO will still be helping servicemembers. Proceeds from the dinner goes into the USO to continue to get the services.

All Presidians are invited to attend the salute. Cost is \$17.50 per person.

Sexual harassment

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two articles are broad enough in scope to allow a court martial.

Article 133 of the UCMJ covers "conduct unbecoming an officer." It was under this section that a former Presidio officer was tried and convicted here last year.

"We charged this officer with seeking sexual favors from subordinates under this article," states Kaplan. "This was the first time to my knowledge that such a charge had been made against an officer under this article."

Kaplan points out that this case is being appealed and the charge which, if upheld could set a precedent for future trials.

Enlisted soldiers can be tried under the provisions of article 134 which covers actions contrary to good conduct and discipline.

Several soldiers, including a female who was charged with grabbing a male by the groin, have been tried and convicted on this article.

Lesser penalties can range from a letter of reprimand to an Article 15. But regardless of the form of punishment, a soldier or a civilian's career could be ruined by such charges.

Both soldiers and civilians can also be held and taken to court for civil damages or tried on criminal charges.

Sexual harassment can be committed by either sex, against either sex. But the consequences are the same for all offenders.

Sexual harassment is a serious matter even if done in jest.



Time to spare

Final brown bag performance set

“The final free “brown bag” lunchtime performance of “**The Diary of Adam and Eve**” will be given on Tuesday at 11:45 at the Presidio Playhouse. Presidians can bring a snack and enjoy the Garden of Eden during lunch time. Free coffee and punch will be available.

The play is one of three one act musical comedies comprising “**The Apple Tree**,” which will continue at the Playhouse on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 7 p.m. through February 22. Special performances will be held on the 12th and 19th of February at 8 p.m. The box office is open on weekdays from 1-5 p.m. and thirty mintues before curtain.

Tryouts for the next Presidio Players’ production will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday at 7 p.m. at the playhouse. Several plays are under consideration including “**The Prisoner of Second Avenue**,” “**A Shot in the Dark**,” “**The Haunting of Hill House**,” and others.

The play will be chosen based on the number and types of performers who audition. Tryouts are open to anyone who is interested. Extensive previous acting experience is not necessary. For an audition appointment, call 561-3992 from 1-5 p.m.

Former U.S. Chess Champion and International Master John Grefe, will give a lecture and then play the entire audience simultaneously tonight at 7:30 in the Presidio Recreation Center.

The center is now offering piano lessons on weekdays and computer game classes every Tuesday at 7 p.m. Persons who wish to check out the computers and tapes must have attended the class.

Special discount coupons are still available for the **Warriors upcoming games with Portland (Feb. 4) and San Diego (Feb. 20)**. Tickets for the **Ice Follies and Holiday on Ice** at the Cow Palace may also be obtained at a discount. For additional information call 561-2000.

Machine applique pillow workshops will be held on Wednesday evenings from 6-9 p.m. in the post craft shop (Bldg. 122) beginning Feb. 18. Subjects to be covered include **the quick quilt techniques and zigzag machine applique**. Class size will be limited to 10 people.

A five hour seminar on **Japanese woodworking techniques** will be held on Saturday, Feb. 21 at nine a.m. For additional information call the craft shop at 561-4497.

Outdoor Recreation has **two houses at South Shore, and a four-bedroom condominium at King’s Beach, North Shore, Lake Tahoe** for rent. They are fully furnished and may be reserved a maximum of 30 days in advance. For information call 561-4324.

The American Conservatory Theater is presenting **Shakespeare’s “Much Ado About Nothing,”** and “**Another Part of the Forest**,” by Lillian Hellman this weekend. Tonight’s presentation is Hellman’s second play in which she portrays the Hubbards when they were twenty years younger than in “**The Little Foxes**.” The drama exposes the roots of the family’s greed and lust.



Hey, handsome how about a date?

Lions, tigers and bears aren’t the only things you’ll see at the San Francisco Zoo. These two primates are also on display. The zoo has a special

children’s section where animals roam free or are available to be petted. The facility is located on Sloat Blvd. (File photo)

Tomorrow night A.C.T. presents Shakespeare’s delightful comedy of the pursuit, seige and surrender of two highly reluctant lovers. Curtain time for both performances is 8 p.m. at the Geary Theater.

“**Pygmalion**,” the George Bernard Show play, is being presented at the Berkeley Repertory Theater through Feb. 15.

The Mill Valley Center for the Performing Arts announces the last two performances of “**The Crucible**,” directed by Gayle Howard Friday and Saturday. Call 383-7074 for information.

The Audobon Quartet will be appearing Sunday at 8 p.m. in Hertz Hall, UC Berkeley. They will perform Hayden’s Quartet in C Major, Walter Winslow’s String Quartet and Mendelson’s Quartet in E-flat Major.

Presidio movie scene and flick preview

Presidio Theater

Feb. 7	Unidentified Flying Oddball (G)	7 p.m.
Feb. 8	The Empire Strikes Back (PG)	7 p.m.
Feb. 9	The Empire Strikes Back (PG)	7 p.m.
Feb. 10	Willie and Phil (R)	7 p.m.
Feb. 11	Zulu Dawn (PG)	7 p.m.
Feb. 12	In God We Trust (PG)	7 p.m.
Feb. 13	In God We Trust (PG)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Feb. 9	Battle Beyond the Stars (PG)	7 p.m.
Feb. 10	Unidentified Flying Oddball (G)	7 p.m.
Feb. 11	The Empire Strikes Back (PG)	7 p.m.
Feb. 12	Willie and Phil (R)	7 p.m.
Feb. 13	Zulu Dawn (PG)	7 p.m.

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Willie and Phil is about two friends, one a high school teacher who wants to be a jazz pianist and the other a commercial photographer who wants to be a big success. They both share a sense of humor, a hatred for the Vietnam War and the love of the same woman.

Sports

Gamefield designed to improve heart

A new exercise field designed for senior citizens, but open to all Presidians, was formally dedicated during ceremonies last Tuesday.

Called the "Gamefield" the field is located on the grassy area west of Letterman Army Medical Center. It is a gift from Wells Fargo Bank to the post and the city of San Francisco.

The Gamefield consists of fifteen individual exercise games along a walking path aimed at renewed energy, improved health and fun.

According to medical experts, cardiovascular failure claims over a million people each year. Current research shows that regular walking can provide ninety percent of the benefits of jogging and can actually increase the size and pumping capacity of the heart.

Wells Fargo spokesman explained that walking from game to game provides users of the

Gamefield with opportunity for the heart to pump more blood thus gradually strengthening this vital organ.

Just walking the course at a vigorous pace for 20-30 minutes per day can produce amazing results and a more efficiently operating heart.

Each game along the walk is designed to capture users in motion and to entertain them while toning and energizing the body.

The first few games along the path are stretching and warming up exercises to prepare the body for the gradual increase in activities.

At the midpoint, users will be kicking, twisting and hopefully enjoying continuous movement in a surprisingly simple sequence of activities.

As the end of the field appears, the activity reduces body motion to allow it to cool down in an effective fashion.

The Gamefield was designed by medical professionals specifically for mature adults, but anyone is invited to use it.

The field may be used not only by Presidians but San Franciscans as well.

The Presidio was chosen as the spot for the Gamefield because of its easy accessibility and the beautiful surroundings.

Attending last Tuesdays ceremonies were San Francisco's Mayor Dianne Feinstein, Maj. Floyd Baker, LAMC commander, Col. Desmond Dewey, deputy post commander, Mr. Cyril Magnin one of San Francisco's leading civic leaders and a senior citizen, and representatives of the Wells Fargo Bank.

USAG dumps Docs 42-32

In the first game of last week's intramural action, the men from USAG shocked the once undefeated Doctors from LAMC, 42-32.

The sporadic garrison team pulled itself together and managed to create the upset of the year by utilizing its strong inside game, behind **Michael Coatney** and **Dan Jackson**.

The winners were lead by Coatney and Michael Murray who tossed in 12 points apiece, while the losers were paced by **Jim Barkovitch's** 12 points.

Sixth Army muscled its way past the 170th MP Co. 58-56.

The 170th was unable to prevent their opponents from scoring inside at will. The winners were lead by **Scott Carr** with 19 points and the losers were paced by **Dennis Jackson** with 19.

In the other games last week, LAIR lost to LAMC No. 4 on the score clock, but managed to win the game anyway by forfeit, due to LAMC No. 4 having an ineligible player participating with them. The win moved LAIR into second place in the Bay League, while LAMC No. 4 dropped to third.

In the last game, the 170th MP Co. No. 2 squeaked past LAMC "A", 51-50. The winners were lead by **Ameko Pato**, who was unstopable both on the boards and underneath the offpable basket, tossing in a game-high 23 points. The losers were lead by **Duane Gibson**, who scored 22, predominately from the 18-20 foot range on the courts.

Women win, men lose

The Presidio basketball team hosted Travis AFB last weekend with the women walking-away victorious, 56-43, and the men losing in a tough game, 92-83.

In the women's game, both teams came-out determined, utilizing a tough zone defense, and an effective passing offense, but the clincher came in the form of **Marilyn Johnson**, who scored a game high 21 points, hitting pressure outside jump shots from all over the court.

In the second game, the Presidians fought tooth-and-nail offensively and defensively, behind **Duane Gibson's** 17 points, and **James Allen's** 12 points, and held a 46-42 first-half lead.

In the second half, both teams exchanged baskets back and forth, until the remaining three minutes, when the Presidians fell into a scoring slump, while their opponents continued to remain "hot."

The main difference, however, in the game was that Gibson and Allen were held to a mere eight points, while the rest of the team shot an overall 50 percent from the freethrow line compared to Travis' 76 percent.

The Presidians' next home game will be held on Friday, at 6 and 8 p.m. for the men and Saturday at noon and 2 p.m. for the women. The action takes place in the main post gym.



Let's kick it around

The Quakes Robbie McAuley (in the dark shirt) kicks the ball toward the goal as Kevin Blake and Kevin Gross (hidden by defender)

head toward the goal at Paul Goode Field on post. (Photo by R. J. Smiljanic)

Earthquakes rattle Cosmos 6-1

by R. J. Smiljanic

The Presidio Earthquakes finished the first half of the soccer season with a 2-1-2 record. With the start of the second half of the season, the Quakes took on an undermanned Viking Cosmos team and came away with a 6 to 1 victory, at Paul Goode Field on the Presidio.

The opening half saw the Quakes take a 4 to 0 lead on two goals each by Robbie

McAuley and Kevin Blake. Fine defensive play by fullbacks Ernie Boatner and Peter Stewart kept the Cosmos team away from the goal.

In the second half the Cosmos played more inspired soccer, holding the Quakes to a goal by McAuley and a penalty kick goal by Blake. The Cosmos finally beat the defense and scored a goal near the end of the game.

Presidio News Notes



Sailing along on a foggy San Francisco day

Wayne Best's pic of sail boats on San Francisco Bay is our latest Photo of the Week. The picture

will go on to compete for our quarterly award. Entries must be received by noon on Monday. If

you have a photo you'd like to see in this spot bring it to room 216 or building 37.

Acute illness only

The Letterman Army Medical Center Pediatric Clinic will be on **minimum staffing from 8 a.m. to noon, Feb. 17 and 18.**

The clinic requests that only children with acute illness be brought to the facility during this period.

Wives Club and the Presidio Officers' Wives Club. Profits from the store are used to improve life on the Presidio.

If you're interested, stop in Bldg. 558 any Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday between 11 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. or between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. on the first Saturday of the month.

Camp Parks renamed

Camp Parks is no longer an active Army installation under an order signed by Army Chief of Staff Gen. E. C. Meyer on Dec. 24, 1980.

The retained portions of the installation were also redesignated at the Parks Reserve Forces Training Area.

Dental month events set

Children of the Presidio Pre-school and Kindergarten will be receiving tours, films and fluoride treatments as part of the Letterman Army Medical Center Dental Clinic's observance of Children's National Dental Health Month.

Dates for the observance are Feb. 9, 18 and 19 at 10 a.m.

Register weapons

All privately owned weapons must be registered with the Presidio Provost Marshal's office by Feb. 15 under the provision of AR 190-11 which went into effect on Jan. 19. For more information call 561-3810.

Scholarships available

Presidio education center officials have announced that 100 two and three year ROTC scholarships will be given to qualified enlisted personnel to attend college in the fall of 1981.

The program is designed to provide selected enlisted members of the Army an opportunity to complete baccalaureate degree requirements and obtain a commission through participation in the ROTC program.

The Army will pay the tuition, textbooks, laboratory expenses, and other educational fees. Additionally, scholarship winners will receive a monthly subsistence of \$100 for up to 20 school months. Recipients may also utilize GI Bill or Veteran's Educational Assistance benefits if they are qualified.

Applicants must be US citizens between the ages of 17 to 25. Up to four years extension may be granted for active duty service. A minimum of one year of college or the equivalent is required.

Selection will be based on academic achievement, leadership potential and demonstrated motivation towards an Army career. Consideration will also be given to the comments and recommendations made by the applicants commanding officer and immediate supervisor.

Presidio soldiers who are interested in this program should contact the Ft. Scott Education Center, Bldg. 1216, ext. 4445 or LAMC Education Center, Bldg. 1007, ext. 4030.

Cleary to speak here

The Letterman Women's Club will hold a **Sweetheart Luncheon Feb. 12** at the Presidio Officer's Club.

Mike Cleary of KNBR radio will be the guest speaker and husbands are invited to attend with their wives.

The event gets underway at 11:30 a.m. Reservations must be made by noon on Feb. 10 by calling Elly Barry at 561-4610, or Bernice See at 897-0851.

Program to air Friday

NBC's White Paper on Defense, originally scheduled to be seen last Friday will be aired Friday at 10 p.m.

Sell items here

The Creative Cottage is looking for new handmade items to sell.

The shop is co-managed by the Letterman



The stars come out in the day

Actor **Chuck Norris** discusses a scene to be shot in the San Francisco National Cemetery, on post. Norris, Richard Roundtree and

other stars were on post Monday to film portions of the movie "Eye for an Eye." (Photo by Tim Dewar)

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Three hurt in accidents here

Two Mexican nationals, a semi-parapalegic, a Presidio dependent, an officer assigned to Letterman Army Medical Center LAMC and the wife of a retired service member were all involved in traffic mishaps on or near the post last week.

Daniel Sanchez, 20, and his brother Samuel, age unknown, both Mexican nationals and determined to be in this country illegally, were involved in a one-car accident on Lincoln Blvd. near Kobbe. The van in which they were riding struck a utility pole. Daniel, the driver of the vehicle, escaped injury while his brother sustained abrasions and bruises. Samuel Sanchez was treated at LAMC and released to authorities.

According to Post MP officials, Daniel is alleged to have been under the influence of alcohol at the time of the accident. No citations were issued as no government property was damaged. Both men have been turned over to immigration authorities and it is presumed they would be unable to return to this area to pay any fines.

A semi-parapalegic, William Andrews, age 71, was involved in a one-car accident last Thursday afternoon at Fort Baker.

According to one eyewitness, Andrews' was traveling on East Road at a high rate of speed when his car left the road and side-swiped a tree, flipping over at least twice before coming to a stop on the Fort Baker parade field.

Andrews sustained major injuries to his head, right hand and left leg, according to MP officials. No citations have been issued and the investigation continues.

Andrews was treated at LAMC then released to a local hospital where he is listed in good condition.

A fatal crash involving a Presidio dependent occurred last Friday afternoon just outside the post gates. The dependent, whose identity has not been released by local police authorities, was driving north on Arguello Blvd. when the collision occurred



An MP surveys damage to William Andrew's car after the accident at Ft. Baker.

with another car at California St.

The driver of the second car, also unidentified at this time, was pronounced dead at the scene. The dependent was taken to LAMC for treatment and later released. San Francisco Police are continuing their investigation.

On Monday, post MP's were called to the scene of an early morning vehicle-pedestrian accident on

Lincoln Blvd. between Thompson Hall and the bus stop. According to MP officials, an officer assigned to LAMC struck Mitzi Baker, the wife of a retired service member. Initial reports indicate that Baker was crossing Lincoln Blvd. using the crosswalk when hit. She was treated at LAMC then released. The driver's identity is being withheld pending the outcome of investigations by the military police.

Tidbits

Delta joins discount

Delta Airlines will join 13 other carriers in offering a 50 percent discount military furlough fare. The discount is effective thru March 31, 1981 on all domestic routes served by Delta. It contains no restrictions, is on all routes, and has no blackout dates. The addition of Delta, and Republic Airlines who recently offered their discount, expands this special fare into most areas of the United States providing this reduction to a majority of active military personnel. HQ MTMC is continuing efforts to get all airlines to participate, and remove or extend expiration dates.

Only active duty personnel on leave or pass, traveling at their own expense, and personnel who have been discharged from active duty, whose travel is completed within seven days after discharge, are eligible for the reduced air fare. Dependents, reservists, National Guard, or retired personnel are not eligible.

Gun registration

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February recycling

Will take place on Saturday. Mr. Porter of DYA reminds PSF residents to have newspapers and all-aluminum cans ready for pickup between 10:00-3:00 p.m. Proceeds go to Youth Activities.

Over 150 children plant trees

More than 150 school children from San Francisco assisted in the plantings of trees here Tuesday, commemorating the nearly 100 years of the forestation program at the post.

The children, whose participation was sponsored by the Jewish National Fund, are representatives of the San Francisco children who helped to start the Presidio forestation program during the 1880's. At that time, the children of the City would spend Saturdays at the Presidio where they helped plant more than 60,000 eucalyptus, pine, redwood, cypress, acacia and madrone trees.

It was this community effort that helped to turn the Presidio from what was originally a desolate promontory into one of the most beautiful sites in the Bay Area.

The children of 1981, from the Hebrew Academy and the Brandeis-Hille Day School, not

only helped the Presidio to remember, but also observed the Jewish "new year of the trees," Tu B'shvat.

The Jewish National Fund is involved in the forestation and land reclamation of the state of Israel.

Major Michael Christy, public affairs officer of the Presidio adds, "For more than 200 years, the Presidio and San Francisco have grown up together. This significant reenactment represents the mutual interests, gratitude and admiration of our two communities."

Also participating in the ceremony were children from the Gratton School and the Adventure Camp Pre-School.

The area chosen for the reenactment is located near Inspiration Point on Arguello Boulevard in the Presidio.



Over 100 trees like these were planted.

Opinion

Farewell my furry little friend

NEVER HAS SOMETHING so small given so much pleasure to so many.

And nobody ever bothered to tell him he was a cat.

It was late June 1972 when we "picked him out as box" at the Holiday Inn in Valdosta, on the way to Gwinnett. He was lost, or somebody had abandoned him, and he was advising the world of that particular fact.

He wasn't as big as a minute. I described him as something like eight inches long, six inches high, with a mouth a yard wide, this little black and white ball of fur, who would make such an impression and leave such a void in our lives.

Most cats, I have learned, have motors they use to purr with, in balance with their size. This little waif, then and later on, was a one-horsepower cat with a six-horsepower motor, and it was to become a part of his character.

It was between Valdosta and home that he made his first great decision. He made up his mind that he was going to own me, and while he was about it, he might as well include the rest of the family. How well he succeeded is now a matter of record.

He talked, non-stop, all the way home, laying the foundation and plotting his course. In a week's time, I had capitulated and he had a home. A month later, he owned a deed to the place.

From that day on, he was a "peepful," not a cat. He never understood why his food was placed on the floor instead of at the table with us. Cats normally curl up on the foot of the bed, maybe. He stretched out on his side, full length, and insisted on a pillow for his head, like the rest of us.

I overheard him once, bragging to his friends that he was the owner of a big house, an acre of land, three automobiles, a motorcycle, and three grown people, and he was.

He made a short career out of making

himself lovable. A flip of his tail, a nuzzle to the cheek, a plaintive look were turned into instruments of battle, and we were the losers. Betty he could handle with a "kiss" on the chin or a buck of the butt. Larau he used as his go-for, mainly for cat goodies and snacks.

Me, I was complete putty in his hands. Every afternoon, he'd meet me at the door, telling me his problems for the day and who had treated him wrong, and he knew there would be hell to pay.

For a name, we finally decided on Toby. But as we went along, and the love grew, it got a bit silly, Too-Too, Tupeezin, Motorcat and Loverboy. He recognized them all and responded to one, as quickly as the other.

He had a vocabulary you wouldn't believe. He could carry on a conversation better than the average six-year-old. He told us what he wanted, when he wanted it, and where to go when he didn't get it.

Of course, at the proper age, we had him neutered, and he never quite forgave us for that. Oh, I found out later that he once in a while catted around at night with his friends, but it was only in an advisory capacity. He had fully intended to add to the world's cat population, and his thwarted ambition clearly showed in disgust.

Everything he did was done with complete gusto. He played hard, he worked hard, he slept hard, and loved hard. He was confident this world was made especially for him and he enjoyed every delightful minute of it. His world centered in his own private, fascinating woods out back, where someone had thoughtfully stocked it with bugs, beetles, birds and boogers.

And, as cats will do, he sprayed the edges of his own property, and heaven helped the cat who innocently, or otherwise, wandered onto it. His ambition was to mark every single square-inch of the entire acre, and had not tragedy intervened, I believe he would've made it!



But tragedy did strike, when we least expected it. Because he really was a "peepful" he had the most luxurious of care. He had what he termed his own private pediatrician, and we never let him know that it was really a vet. That would have been beneath his dignity.

But then one day we were told that the cold he had wasn't a cold, it was a rare but increasing kind of cancer cats get, and there wasn't a thing that could be done. It was just a matter of time, and all we could do was watch and wait and pray.

For a week or so, things were pretty normal, except for our own hearts. But then he weakened, and stopped talking, and stopped loving, and stopped eating. He took a very special spot, one of his old favorites, under the newly placed Christmas tree, and there he waited.

No presents went under the tree, and

he was never left alone again. He had three people serving his every need, and his private pediatrician waited by the phone, day and night.

Then on Dec. 23, two days before Christmas, we knew the time had come. He made his last visit to his private vet, with that little motor still going, and it was still going when the sudden, merciful end came. He'd be proud to know that even the hardened vet dropped a tear, too.

I've always had a vision of what God looks like. He sits there on His huge throne, garbed in white, flowing robes, surveying all that is in His heaven. But on His lap, He's fondly holding a little black and white ball of fur, who even now doesn't know he's a cat.

And he probably already owns a deed to the blessed place.

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Historians blame Valentine on Romans

by K. Douglas Cook

Have you ever wondered why we feel obliged to send heart-shaped cards and boxes of teeth-rotting candy to each other on February 14th?

Well, this question occurred to us at the STAR PRESIDIAN and it prompted us to launch an intensive (almost 15 minutes) investigation, barring no expense (1 candy bar, 1 coke—total of 55¢) to seek the truth wherever it might be found (Main Post Library)!

Truly folks, this is just one more classic example of how low-budget journalism can produce truth—or a reasonable facsimile thereof.

The real origin of Valentine's Day appears to be lost in the unwritten portion of history. Either this event has no actual roots or nobody thought it was worth the time. There is, however, a common belief among historians that Valentine's Day can be traced back to ancient Rome and the Roman Empire. (Have you ever wondered why whenever

historians are at a loss, they quickly inject the Romans into the issue?)

Young Roman men apparently would, around the first of February, write the names of desirable Roman women on slips of paper and place them in a container to be drawn "at random." Now, don't bother to ask us where "random" was as the only map we have of Italy was destroyed when our editor spilled his thermos of martinis on it.

At any rate, the Roman men would draw a name, and according to tradition, he and the selected she would remain together as a couple through the end of "Lupercalia," a holiday celebrated each February 15th.

Along about the 3rd Century AD, a Catholic priest met an untimely end by being stoned to death. Why Father Valentine was done in this way isn't known although we did discover that he was declared a martyr by the church and February 14th was set aside as a day to honor him. You might imagine the tough time we're having reconciling the killing of a priest with little love notes on paper. Oh well, maybe we can blame the Romans somehow!

Moving right along, we next discovered that Valentine's Day appeared in England and Scotland around the Middle Ages. Here seems to be the first direct link between our current holiday and history. Hardly anyone could deny the fun-loving spirit of those Brits!

Why Henry VIII himself made life in Marin County seem tame by comparison! It appears that young male members of the British Empire would write the names of favorite ladies on slips of paper and, in some manner, insure discovery by the intended fair damsel. These slips of paper, by the way, were named "Love Billets" which, in no way,

should be confused with any building found on the Presidio!

Apparently "discovering" these Love Billets took some doing and the amorous males would go to any length to attract attention. The messages were colored, bits of poetry were added and, often, they would be posted in obvious places or delivered in unique ways.

Another gent delivered his Love Billet via arrow through his intended's bedroom window. Her happiness was somewhat dampened by the resulting wound. Ah, but love never does run a true course, as they say!

Well, as time passed from then to now, these messages became more elaborate, more ornate and more profitable. There's another theory which indicates Hallmark Cards, the U. S. Postal Service and the envelope were invented because of Valentine's Day. In truth, this holiday without a definite history or reason ranks right up there with such other money-makers as Halloween, Father's and Mother's Day. Funny how each of these involves candy and some sort of card. Thankfully, nobody ever thought it would be appropriate to give an elephant or pit viper on one of these occasions!

So, there you have it, the complete story of Valentine's Day, February 14th. We at the STAR PRESIDIAN consider sending each of you a nice card with a catchy bit of poetry. We couldn't agree on the poem and our accountant informs us our budget couldn't afford the postage. We also considered reviving the old British custom of sending a message by arrow, along with this newspaper.

We learned, however, that the post commander frowns upon such things and, besides, the self service store informs us that arrows are on back order. What else is new. Happy Valentine's Day!

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Tax assistance available

If you have been suffering from an annual case of "tax filing headache," Capt. William D. Raymond, legal assistance officer at SJA, has some tips that can help you spell R-E-L-I-E-F.

Individual tax returns are due to the Internal Revenue Service by April 15. If a person is unable to complete the tax form in time to meet this deadline, a two-month extension may be obtained by filing a form 4868 prior to April 15. Those who file for extension must make a tax estimate and pay any amount due.

It is relatively easy to determine filing status by following the instructions in the tax booklet. However, Raymond points out, "If you were married but lived separately from your spouse for the entire tax year and had a dependent child in your home, you may be able to file as a single taxpayer or as a head of household if certain conditions are met."

Married residents of community property states may consider income as community property. Under this option, a couple may file a joint return claiming the total income for both spouses, or file separate returns on which each spouse claims half of the community income plus his or her separate earnings.

When figuring deductions, Raymond reminds soldiers that all uniform items do not qualify. "Generally the cost and maintenance of uniforms can be deducted if the uniforms are specifically required as a condition of employment, and are not adaptable to general use. **The only uniform which fulfills these conditions is the fatigue uniform.**"

He added that some items such as epaulets, campaign bars and swords for officers are deductible. Members of the Reserve may deduct the cost of the uniform maintenance if regulations limit wear of the uniform at active time.

Even those who do not itemize their deductions can reduce tax liability if they have adjustments to income or are eligible to claim tax credits. Raymond emphasizes, "Adjustments to income and tax credits are governed by detailed rules and individuals are urged to familiarize themselves with these rules before claiming any adjustment or credit."

Some examples of adjustments to income which are of interest to soldiers are:

- Moving expenses for which you are not reimbursed by the government, alimony payments and business-related travel expenses while away from home.

- Disability income exclusion which allows a taxpayer under retirement age to deduct part of his retired pay from income if permanently and totally disabled when retired.

- Forfeited interest penalties on long-term deposit programs are deductible if the interest to which the penalties have been applied has already been reported as income.

Tax Credits can also help to reduce your liability. They are subtracted directly from your tax. Some of the most likely to apply to military families are:

- Credit for the elderly if you are 65 or older or are under 65 but receive a taxable pension or annuity from a public retirement system.

- Residential energy credit which covers a portion of the expense incurred in installing energy conserving devices or renewable energy sources in your home.

- Political contributions also qualify as tax credit. You may claim one-half of your political or newsletter fund contribution made for the purpose of assisting a candidate for election to political office. This credit is limited to \$50 on a separate return and \$100 on a joint return.

- Earned income credit as long as your earned

income and adjusted gross income are less than \$10,000. To be entitled to this credit you must also have maintained a home in the US which was the main home for you and your dependent child.

The captain noted that there have been some changes in tax laws this year. The credit for renewable energy source costs has been increased to 40% of the first \$10,000. The standard mileage rate has increased from 18½ cents a mile to 20 cents for the first 15,000 miles of business use over 15,000 miles or when the car is fully depreciated.

Another change involves the use of entertainment facilities as a business expense deduction. This has been changed to include all clubs, such as athletic, social, sporting, and country clubs.

Raymond recommends that soldiers who need assistance in filing their 1980 tax returns contact their unit tax officer. Most of them have attended a course conducted by the IRS and should be able to help.

The legal assistance office, located in building 223, currently has a supply of federal tax forms on hand. They also have tax forms for most states. The forms are available for individuals only since they do not have sufficient quantities for mass distribution.

Four locations for military personnel

Columbia College set for spring term

Columbia College, which has campuses at Treasure Island, Oakland Army Base, Hamilton AFB, and USCG TRACEN Petaluma, will begin its next season on March 16. Columbia's courses are held in the evenings and run for eight weeks. They are open to active duty personnel, their dependents, and Department of Defense civilian employees.

Scheduled for Treasure Island are Human Sexuality (MON), Principles of Marketing (TUES),

Organizational Development, and Black Experience in American Society (WED), and English Composition II (THUR). Other offerings are Statistics (THUR at Oakland Army Base), English Composition I (WED at Hamilton AFB), and Advanced Management (TUES at USCG TRACEN Petaluma).

Columbia College is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Universities. It offers both the two-year Associate of Arts

degree and the four-year degree. Students may major in Business Administration, Psychology, or Criminal Justice. Because of its close relationship with the Armed Forces, Columbia has a policy of assessing military schools and experience for academic credit.

Additional information about Columbia can be obtained from Larry Blades or Margaret Kirkpatrick at (415) 397-5613.

Women's clubs raise \$3,000 for charity

Col. Whitney Hall, Jr., post commander, presented checks of \$876.52 to representatives of the four activities which participated in this year's Christmas gift wrap program at ceremonies held in his office last week.

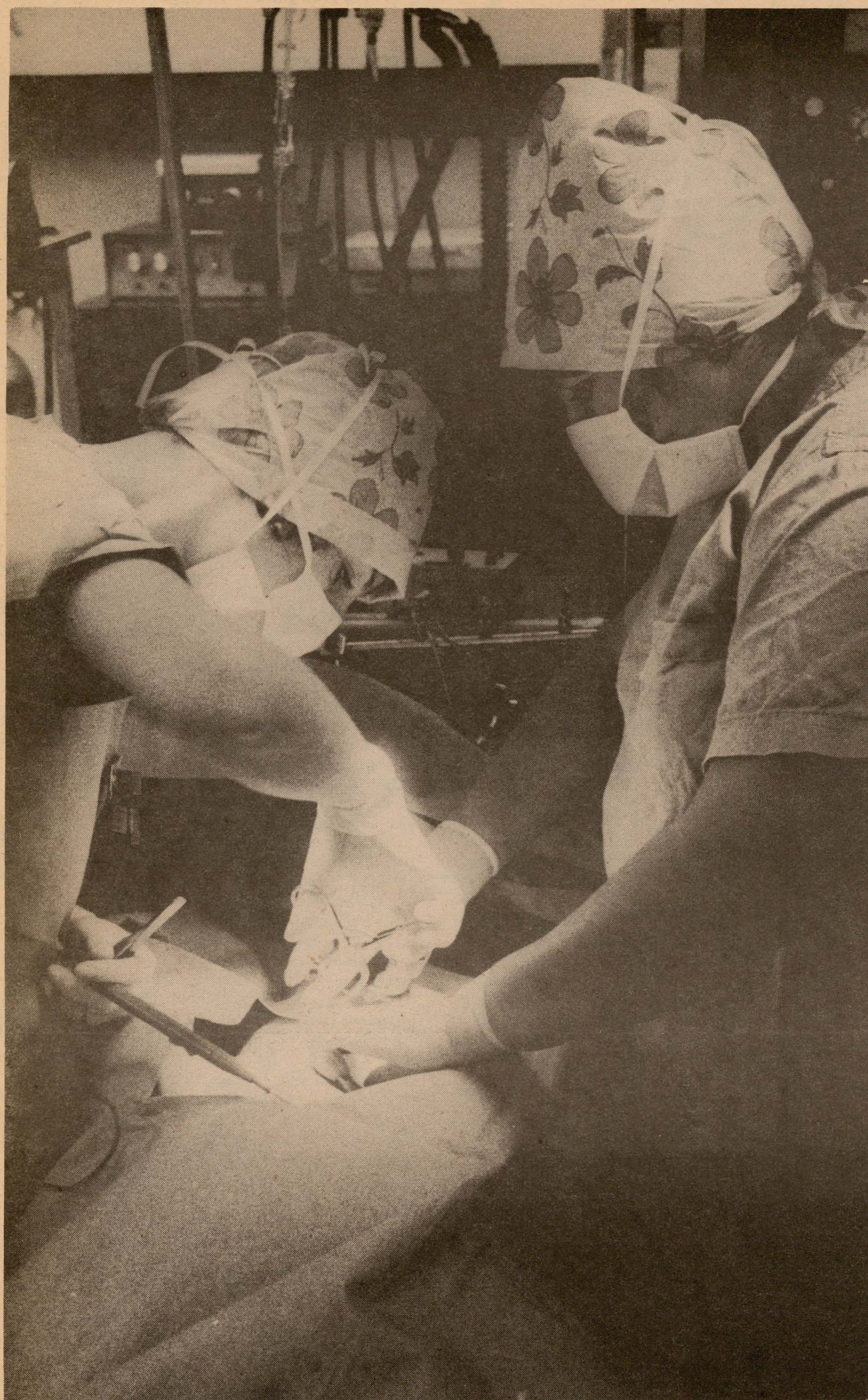
Hall praised this year's participants noting that, "some of them were working wives who had sacrificed a great deal for the good of our community."

He added, "It is very gratifying to be reminded that volunteerism is not dead among Army families."

Representing the various activities were Peggy Bjornson, Letterman Wives' Club; Renee Priore, Presidio Officers Wives' Club; Eunice George, Enlisted Wives' Club; and Mary Schuster, Army Community Service.



Col. Hall congratulates (from left), Peggy Bjornson, Eunice George, Renee Priore, and Mary Schuster.



Sp4 Nancy Champagne (l.) and SSgt. Maria DeLaCerde perform surgery on pig being used in experiments at LAIR.

LAIR gives soldiers chance to explore surgical world

Story and photos by Jon Chelgren

A team in surgical greens hovers over the operating table while banks of sophisticated machinery track the patient's vital signs. Intravenous tubes and an artificial respirator keep a steady stream of their life-sustaining loads flowing while gloved hands grip sterile instruments to begin their exacting work.

This scene could be occurring at any operating room as surgeons battle to save a waning human life. It is not. The "surgeons" in this case are enlisted operating room technicians assigned to the Letterman Army Institute of Research (LAIR). Their "patients" is a pig being used in experiments there.

Although all of LAIR's major surgery is done by qualified doctors, much of the minor surgical work is handled by the OR technicians under the direct supervision of seasoned researchers and surgeons.

For enlisted technicians an assignment to LAIR—one of only two places of its kind in the Army—means a chance not only to perform work that they would not normally be allowed to do in a human operating room, but also gives them an

opportunity to use "state of the art" medical equipment.

"I guess we are all frustrated surgeons at heart," says SFC Marshall Jones, the OR's NCOIC. "This is good experience for any OR technician because it presents unlimited opportunities."

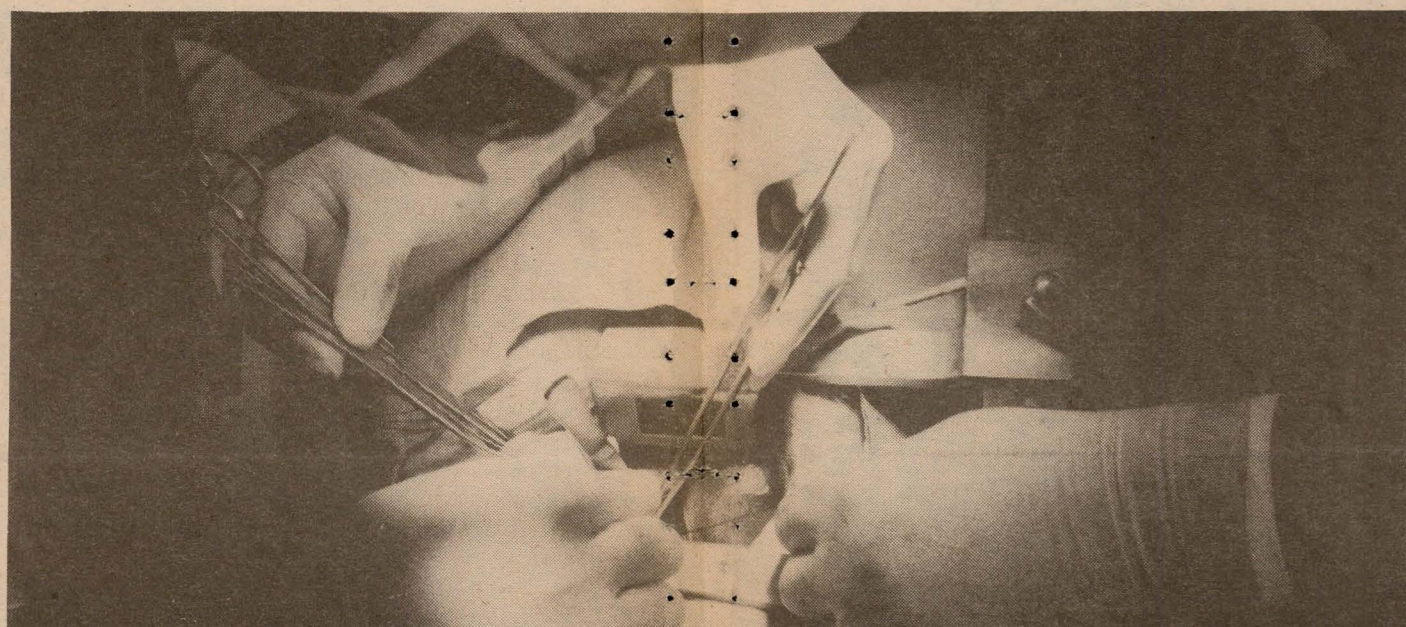
Speaking of her experiences in human operating rooms at other Army hospitals, SSgt Maria DeLaCerde agreed. "As an operating room technician you normally either scrub or circulate. You just don't get to use anesthesia or anything like that," she stated.

As Sp4 Nancy Champagne explains, "Our responsibilities are greater here. We do some surgery, take x-rays, and use anesthesia. In a normal military or civilian hospital you don't get those opportunities."

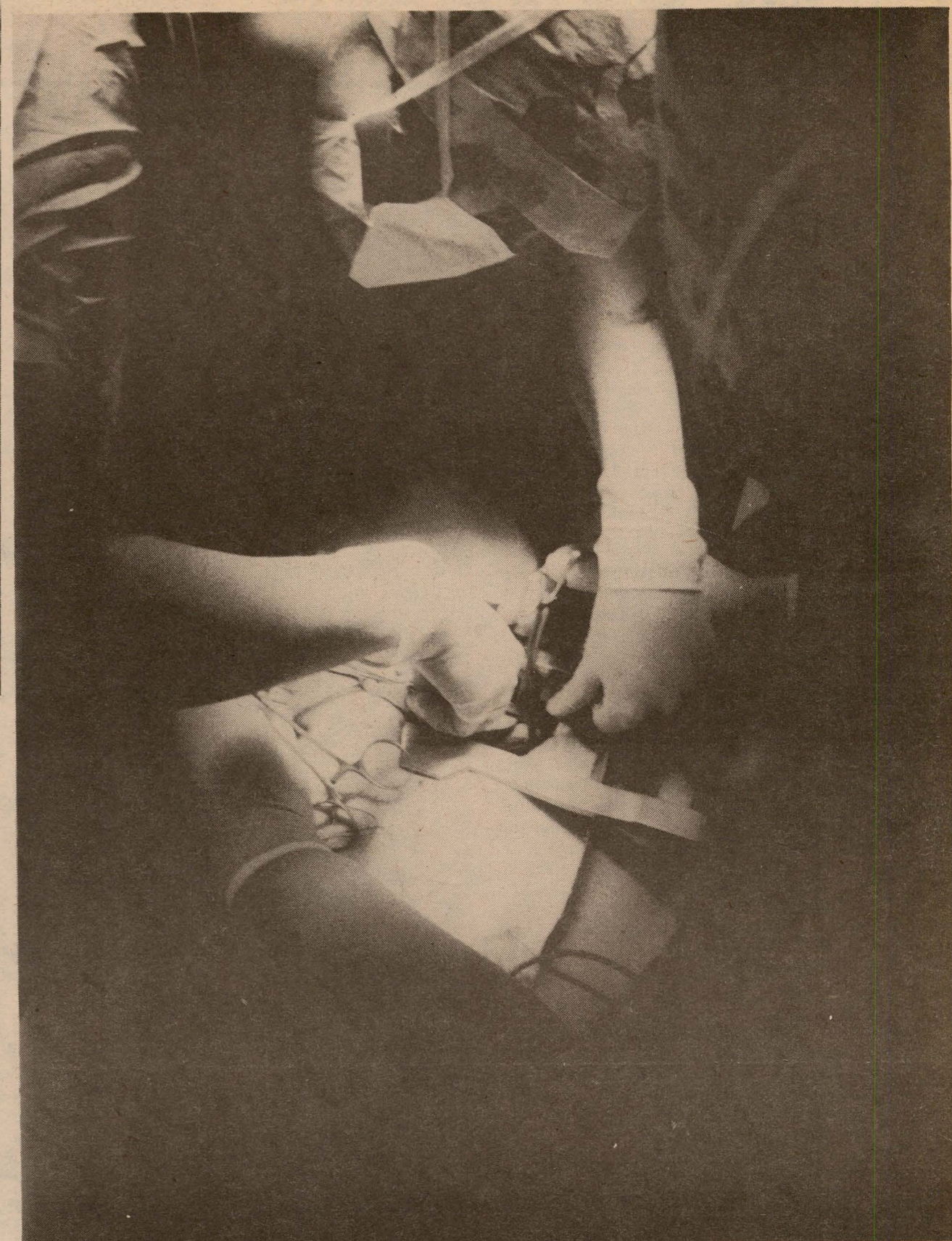
Champagne, a certified civilian OR technician, enlisted for LAIR after working at a nearby civilian hospital. When asked why she chose LAIR, she said, "I came here on a tour and checked the place out. I was really impressed. Some of the equipment here like monitors and blood gas analyzers you never see in most hospitals."



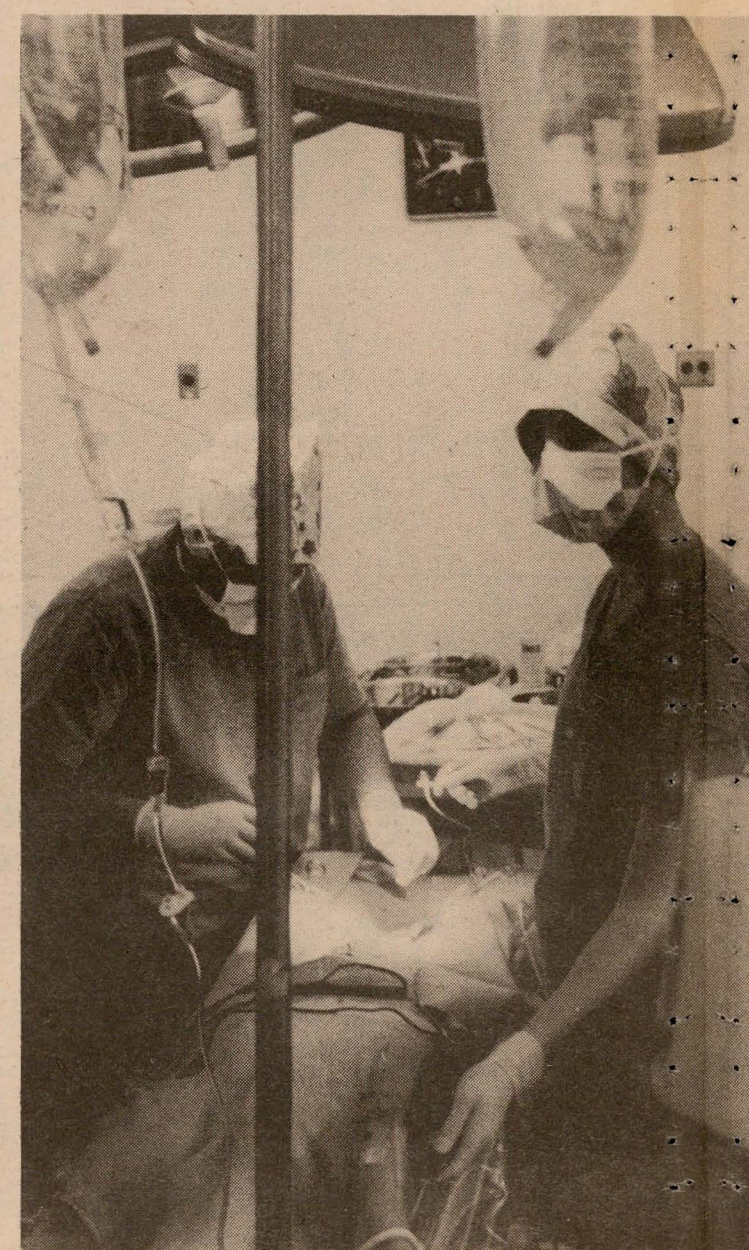
PFC Robert Hughes (foreground) and Sp4 David Weber wheel the "patient" into the operating room.



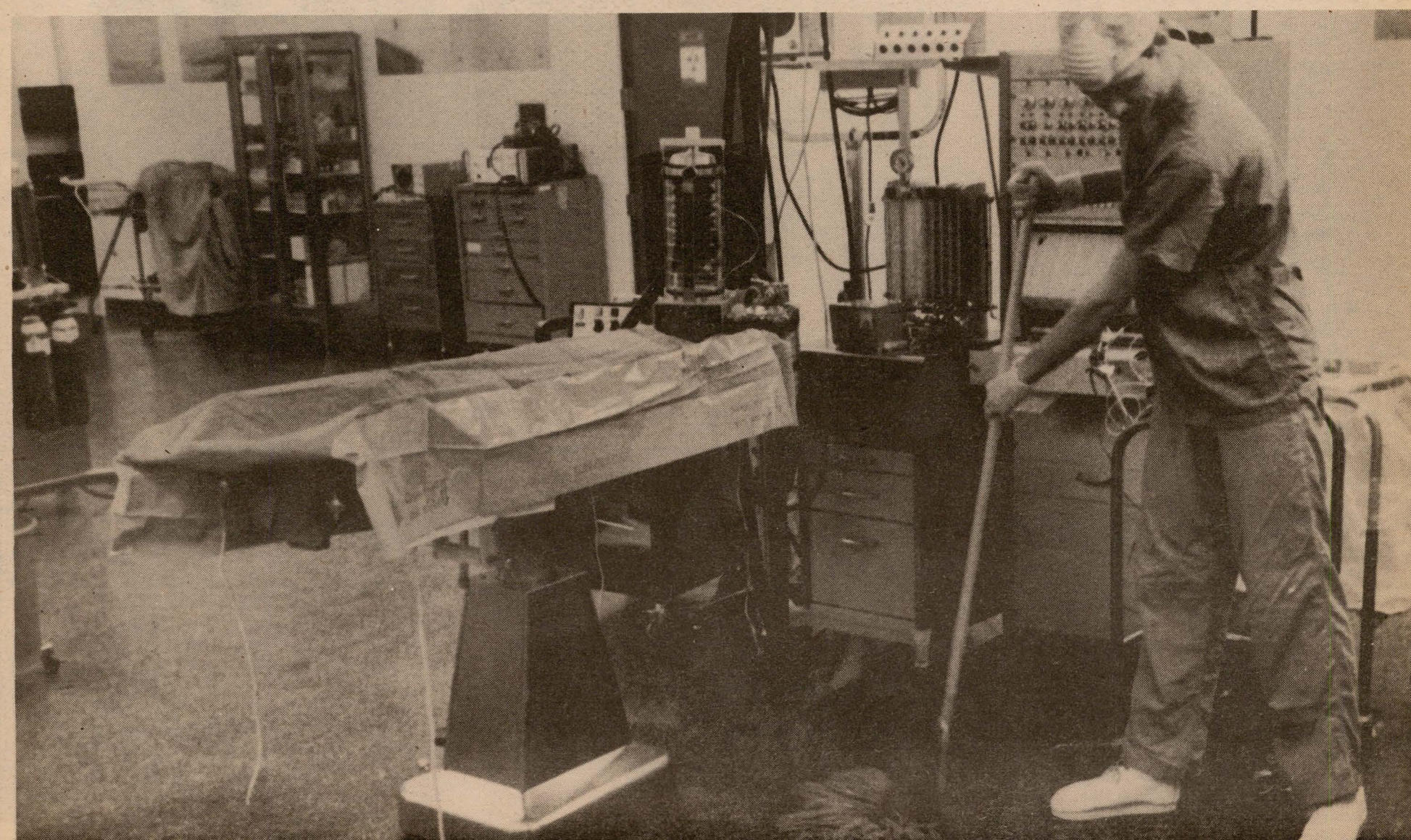
A pair of hands carefully probes the area around the heart during surgery.



Champagne and DeLaCerde prepare to "close up" after the operation.



Sp4 Nancy Champagne adjusts the flow of an IV as surgery preparations begin.



Hughes cleans the operating room following surgery.

Time to spare

SF prepares to celebrate New Year

The outdoor recreation pageant officially opening the city's **Year of the Rooster** festival will take place at noon on Saturday in Union Square. There will be a man-size rooster mascot, giant parade puppets, lion dancers, and Miss Chinatown USA contestants on hand for the festivities.

Saturday night at 8 p.m., the **Miss Chinatown USA pageant** will be held at the Masonic Auditorium, 1111 California Street. There will be 16 contestants from all over the country seeking the title in this talent-beauty contest.

Other Year of the Rooster activities scheduled for this week include a **traditional Chinese crafts and foods fair** on Saturday and Sunday at the Chinesed Culture Center, 750 Kearny Street and an **outdoor carnival** featuring food and game booths which will be held at Portsmouth Square on Kearny Street. It will run from 1 p.m. till midnight on Saturday and Sunday.

KQED-TV, Channel 9, will televise a documentary "**Year of the Rooster**" on Tuesday at 11 p.m. The show highlights past parades with historical insights of early San Francisco celebrations and the Chinese-American population. The program will be aired again at 7:30 p.m. on February 20.

Betty Kaplowitz, a popular San Francisco and Bay Area country-rock vocalist will perform at the recreation center on Monday, Feb. 23, from 8:30 to 10:30. The admission price of \$1 will include refreshments.

The Rec Center is organizing a **tour of the Ano Nuevo State Reserve** to observe northern elephant seals. It is set for Sunday, March 8, from 9:30 to 5:30 p.m. If they do not receive enough applications by that time, the trip will be cancelled. Price for the tour is \$10.00.

The **Record Express** has been changed to Mondays at 8 p.m. and the **Presidio Chess Club** now meets each Thursday from 4:30 until 10 p.m. The center is offering **piano lessons** on weekdays and **computer game classes** every Tuesday at 7 p.m. Persons who wish to check out the computers and tapes must have attended the class.

Machine applique pillow workshops will be held on Wednesday evenings from 6-9 p.m. in the post craft shop (Bldg. 122) beginning Feb. 18. Subjects to be covered include the quick quilt techniques and zigzag machine applique. Class size will be limited to 10 people.

A five hour seminar on **Japanese woodworking techniques** will be held on Saturday, Feb. 21 at 9 a.m. For additional information call the craft shop at 561-4497.

Outdoor Recreation has **two houses at South Shore**, and a **four-bedroom condominium at King's Beach**, North Shore, Lake Tahoe for rent. They are fully furnished and may be reserved. A maximum of 30 days in advance by calling 561-4324.



The better to bite you with my dear

This dragon will be making its annual appearance during the Chinese New Years parade on Saturday.

A whole host of activities are scheduled to help welcome the Year of the Rooster.

Presidio movie scene and flick preview

Presidio Theater

Feb. 14	The Bugs Bunny/Road Runner Movie (G)	2 p.m.
Feb. 14	Kill Or Be Killed (PG)	7 p.m.
Feb. 15	Flash Gordon (PG)	7 p.m.
Feb. 16	Flash Gordon (PG)	7 p.m.
Feb. 17	The Shining (R)	7 p.m.
Feb. 18	The 39 Steps (PG)	7 p.m.
Feb. 19	The Exterminator (R)	7 p.m.
Feb. 20	The Exterminator (R)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Feb. 16	In God We Trust (PG)	7 p.m.
Feb. 17	Kill Or Be Killed (PG)	7 p.m.
Feb. 18	Flash Gordon (PG)	7 p.m.
Feb. 19	The Shining (R)	7 p.m.
Feb. 20	The 39 Steps (PG)	7 p.m.

Presidio Preview

Flash Gordon is based on the famous space adventure-fantasy comic strip. Flash is the star quarterback for the New York Jets. He meets the beautiful Dale Arden and the two of them wind up on the planet Mongo, ruled by the brutal Emperor Ming and his sexy daughter, Aura. Elements of profanity and violence may not be suitable for young children. Music by Queen.

Sports

MP units battle it out

The 1980-81 Post Intramural Basketball Tournament Championship got underway last week with first-round action.

The 170th MP Co. downed the 504th MP Co. in the first game of the tournament behind the hot shooting of Joseph Nicholas and Kenneth Ranson with 20 points apiece. The losers were lead by Stanley Hall, who scored 20.

In the second game, 6th Army nosed-out LAMC "A," 41-35. Both teams played in slow-motion the fist half, but came out running in the second. The winners were paced by Scott Carr's 18 points and Bobbie Brooks. The losers were paced by the hot hand of Duane Gibson, who scored a game-high 19.

In the third game, LAIR got upset by hungry 864th Engr. Co., 44-42. The winners got their third victory of the year against six losses, by holding onto a slim two-point margin in the remaining

seconds of the game. Both teams produced a solid team effort in the scoring department, with the winner's high-point man, Mike Brown, and Clinton Beckett of LAIR sharing game honors with 12 each.

In the fourth game, the Doctors and USAG battled for supremacy, the M. D. team narrowly winning by a score of 43-42. It was a very physical game, with USAG getting the better part of the final half, eventually pulling-out to a 23-18 lead at halftime. In the second half, the Doctors rallied, using pattern offense, hitting the open player, and eventually pulled even.

The game was finally determined late when USAG, down by one point, failed to hit two attempts at the winning basket. The winners were lead by Jim Barkovich with a game-high of 15, while the losers were paced by Jim Watts with 10.

Presidio	W-L	Bay	W-L	Ft. Scott	W-L
Doctors	7-1	Staff Stuffers	5-1		
USAG	5-3	LAIR	4-2	PHS	6-2
6th Army	4-4	LAMC No. 4	3-3	504th MP Co.	5-3
864th ENG	2-6	LAMC No. 5	0-6	LAMC "A"	4-4
170th MP Co.	2-6			USACC	3-5

Quakes dump Fogs 6-3



Kevin Blake passes ahead to Jerry Smiljanic as the Quake defenders Kathryn McHugh and Kevin Beach watch the play. (Photo by R. J. Smiljanic).

by Roko J. Smiljanic

The Presidio Earthquakes ran their record for the second half of the season to 2-0, by defeating the Viking Fogs 6 to 3 at Paul Goode Field. Each team started out slowly as the defenders kept the offense in check. Then the Fogs scored with about seven minutes left the half. The Quakes turned right around as Robbie McAuley burst thru the defense to tie the score at 1 to 1 at the half.

The Fogs scored first in the second half for a 2 to 1 lead. The Quakes came back to knot the score at 2-2 on a goal from Kevin Blake and an assist by Jerry Smiljanic. The tie inspired the Quakes as McAuley took things into his own hands by scoring two quick goals to push the score to 4 to 2.

Kevin Blake's second goal and an assist to Kevin Gross, for the final goal put the game on ice for the Quakes. Fine defensive play by Tim Sexton, Kathryn McHugh and Ernie Boatner also played a big part in the victory.



The Quakes Kevin Gross (dark socks) breaks through the Fog's defense, as Tim Sexton, left, moves up to follow the play. (Photo by R.J. Smiljanic).

Sports shorts

V-ball clinic set

The Sports Branch will be conducting the 1981 post intramural volleyball league, commencing on or about March 16. A volleyball clinic will be conducted for players, coaches, managers, and officials beginning at 3 p.m., March 16, at the main gym, Bldg. 63. For further information contact Jim Ragasa at ext. 2070.

Golfers take note

The Sports Branch will begin the 1981 Intramural Golf competition, commencing on March 19. All matches will be played at the Presidio Golf Club on dates and times to be announced. A golf clinic will be held at the first tee for all competitors at noon on March 19. Golf clubs may be rented at the Outdoor Recreation Branch, Bldg. 92. For further information, contact Jim Ragasa at ext. 2070.

Baseball players sought

All interested military personnel are invited to sign up for the 1981 men's post level baseball team. The team will be competing against other local military bases this Spring. An experienced coach is also needed to guide the team. For information, contact Taaese Taaese at Gym 2, Bldg. 1152, ext. 5051.

Gym 3 offers sauna

Gym 3, Bldg. 1226, at Ft. Scott will have sauna hours available for women only effective Feb. 18. The time slot will be 12:15 to 1:00 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

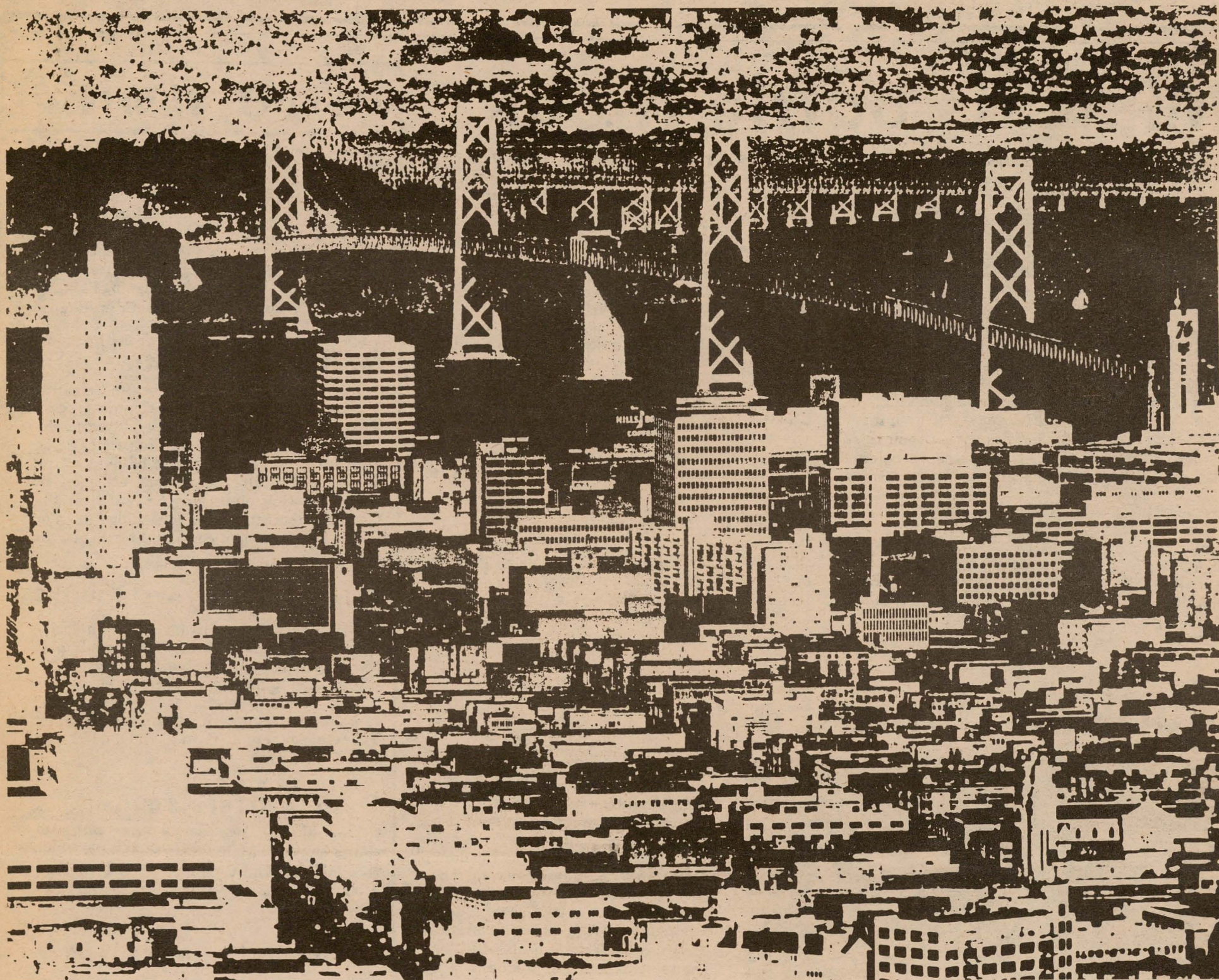
Wrestling tourney set

The sports branch will be conducting a post wrestling tournament, beginning February 23, 5 p.m. at the main gym, Bldg. 63. A wrestling clinic will be held for players, coaches, managers, and officials beginning at 3 p.m., Feb. 23 at the main post gym, Bldg. 63.

Fun run race Feb. 18

The sports branch will sponsor a "Fun Run Race," Feb. 18 at noon over a three-mile course. Sign ups will be at gym 2, Bldg. 1151, starting a half-hour prior to the run.

Presidio News Notes



A bridge over untroubled waters

This negative print gives an "uncommon" look to a scene that appears quite often. It has been selected

as our top photo of the week. The photographer is Mr. John Cook. If you have an interesting photo,

drop it by our office at Room 216, Bldg. 37.

Black History month

The Presidio Black History Committee has scheduled activities in recognition of Black History month at the main post theater on Feb. 18 and at LAIR auditorium on Feb. 20. Activities will run from 11:30 until 1:00 p.m. on both days.

The program will include musical performances and skits. The committee will be assisted in their efforts by nationally known recording artists and musicians, and also by performers from within the local civilian and military community.

Bible study planned

The Ft. Scott Chapel is sponsoring a weeknight bible study fellowship each Tuesday evening at 7:30 p.m. The study is held in an informal manner with the emphasis on the importance of fellowship to successful christian living.

The chapel is located at Lincoln Blvd. and Storey Ave. Chaplain Will Bearden and activities specialist Les Wilkerson extend a warm invitation to everyone to attend the bible study or any of the chapel services.

Patient education

Letterman's Social Work Service will sponsor a nine-week Patient Education program for those 55 and over. Focus will be patient participation in preventive medicine and promotion of better health amongst outpatients.

The program will begin on Wednesday, March 4 and continue each Wednesday through April 29. Location is Room AS3209 in the Letterman Army Institute of Research (LAIR), from 10 to 11:30 a.m. There are no fees.

Health professionals from LAMC will be giving lectures/demonstrations, and discuss with participants on health issues that are of concern to them.

Topics to be included are how one can achieve better mental hygiene, better nutrition, physical health, dental care, pulmonary care, foot care, the causes of diabetes and arthritis, and the use of drugs.

For registration and further information, please call Social Work Services at 561-2174.

Handmade items

The Creative Cottage is looking for new handmade items to sell.

The shop is co-managed by the Letterman Wives Club and the Presidio Officers' Wives Club. Profits from the store are used to improve life on the Presidio.

Any military personnel, their dependents, retirees, or civilian employees can consign handmade items.

If you're interested, stop in Bldg. 558 any Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday between 11 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. or between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. on the first Saturday of the month.

Dental month events set

Children of the Presidio Pre-school and Kindergarten will be receiving tours, films and fluoride treatments as part of the Letterman Army Medical Center Dental Clinic's observance of Children's National Dental Health Month.

Dates for the observance are Feb. 9, 18 and 19 at 10 a.m.

Cope with 'aleness'

How do you cope with aleness?

Surviving the loss of a loved one in later years can bring loneliness as well as many everyday problems.

With this in mind, Letterman's Social Work Service is sponsoring a supporting group to share, discuss and explore ways for recently widowed men and women associated with Letterman to build a new life on their own.

"Although the major outreach will be aimed at people over 45 who have lost their spouse within the past two years, all ages will be welcomed," said Rose McManus (561-2174), who will be in charge of the program.

The first of these weekly meetings will take place on Thursday, February 26, in Room 626-Ward 6E at LAMC. Time frame is 1:30 to 3 p.m.

Major focus will be on the grief and bereavement process. Sharing and exploration of feelings such as guilt, anger, denial, and depression will be emphasized.

Resource information regarding classes, employment, and volunteer opportunities, community programs and recreation as well as alternative life styles will be explored.

"Depending on the needs of the members, I will conduct workshops on topics of special interest such as assertion and relaxation training," McManus explained. "Guest speakers may also be brought in to conduct special seminars on health, legal issues or retirement planning," she added.

Emergencies only

The Letterman Army Medical Center Pediatric Clinic will be on minimum staffing from 8 a.m. to noon, Feb. 17 and 18.

The clinic requests that only children with acute illness be brought to the facility during this period.

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USAR Unit at Camp Parks



Sgt Lon Myhre of the 793rd Engineers rolls an asphalt sidewalk at Camp Parks.

Story and photo by Jon Chelgren

For 55 reservists from Minot, N. D., summer came a little early this year.

The soldiers from the 793rd Engineer Detachment have spent the last two weeks in "summer camp" at Camp Parks completing a number of construction projects and doing major renovation work on the old dilapidated WWII barracks there.

According to the unit's commander, Capt. Lon Larson, the two weeks training at Camp Parks is "ideal." He notes that the unit gets good hands on experience in its trade, while Camp Parks and the Army get renovated barracks.

For Larson, overseeing the unit's stay has been routine. In civilian life he heads a lumberyard and construction center that does the same kind of work.

"It's a piece of cake," is how Sgt. James Moran describes it. Moran, who has worked in construction for 12 and a half years says, "You really can't beat this. It is a good chance to break some of the rookies in."

The unit's work, remodeling the inside of run down barracks, has saved the Army considerable money, according to Lt. Col. Michael Mark, Camp Parks' commander, "If we had to pay a civilian contractor to do this, it would have cost us twice as much or more."

Wore his medals, decorations wrong

General impersonator arrested here

Post Military Police were called to the Officers' Club last Saturday night to investigate an unusual complaint.

A man in uniform bearing the rank of Brig. Gen. was incorrectly wearing a number of awards and decorations. Observing this, an alert patron made a call to the MPs and told them that he suspected that the man was impersonating a General Officer.

When the MPs arrived on the scene they detained Gen.(?) William Springhorn while Lt.

Col. Thompson, Sixth Army Provost Marshall, made a check of the general officer registry.

When Thompson had verified that there was not a general in the Army named William Springhorn, CID agents were called. After questioning by the CID, Springhorn confessed that he was not a general officer.

The 54 year old civilian was administratively barred from this installation and the provost marshal was sent a letter to other posts in this area informing them of the incident.

MPs were called to the home of Brig. Gen. Homer Johnstone on Sunday to investigate a burglary.

Johnstone suspected that someone was inside his home when he and his family returned that afternoon. He alertly notified the MPs who, when they arrived, found Robin Pacheco, a San Francisco resident, in a storage area of the general's home.

The suspect was turned over to civilian authorities later and the investigation is continuing.

Ninth Region MAIT team helps 504th

Instructors from the Ninth Readiness Region's Maintenance Assistance Instruction Team (MAIT) held special maintenance seminars for the officers and NCO's of the 504th MP Bn last week. Although MAIT's deal primarily with Army Reserve and National Guard units, this special program is geared to point out the necessity for proper and continual preventative maintenance.

"If operators of military equipment would pull proper first echelon maintenance, including that all-important "PM," equipment problems would be decreased," said Sam DiGiacomo, a member of the MAIT.



Opinion

Black American Patriots

by Michael Christy

Patriotic power is built into the American way of life. From the earliest colonial days, our land of virgin forests, fertile soil, vast opportunity, and unsurpassed natural beauty inspired the settlers with pride and love.

That spirit provided the patriotic power that won our independence. It is burnt into our national character with every bitter defeat and heartening victory. It has been the dedicated courage and determination of Americans of every generation which has built this nation and protected its freedom.

To pay tribute to that patriotic unity, this week has been proclaimed for yet another awareness, for another group of patriots whose contributions in time of war have not always been recognized.

This refers to those patriots who faced the country's foes burdened by unjustified racial prejudices, whose monetary rewards were often inequitable and who frequently suffered brutality and humiliation.

In spite of the bias, these patriots

remained loyal to their country. Most concerned themselves with the opportunity to fight as Americans and prove their courage, their patriotism.

Their's was a strength and foresight that a personal purpose gives. These patriots fought, and sometimes died in every battle this nation has faced, with no particular virtues to be glorified. These are the Black Americans and the color of their skin was secondary to defending the cause they revered.

It is fitting, then, that we pause to acknowledge the respect and admiration we have for those whom we call patriots, and, at the same time, trace our American heritage through the history of the Black American. It is a rightful thread which weaves together Black History Week and National Patriotic Week.

In the thick of every war in which this nation has been engaged, the Black American patriots were there... responding to their nation's call to duty.

That call has often led to loneli-

ness, hardship, danger and for some, death. Yet when the things they love were threatened, they left their homes and families and along with their non-black comrades, endured all the privation war has always brought.

They left the peaceful pursuits of the farm, the factory, and the office and dedicated their talents, energies and lives to serving their country. Ironically, this was, during the earlier part of our history, in the face of obstacles that would have tried the courage of even the most dedicated patriot.

In response to the call to arms, Black American patriots have acted with as much valor and dedication as non-black combatants and have demonstrated to enemies of freedom that all free men and women defend the principles of a free society.

After each war and conflict, these dedicated Americans who served so valiently, as service members have returned to build a stronger country. Their's is the quality of patriotism—the steady dedication of a lifetime.

There is something noble about what these Americans have done. They have served their country. They served and many died, at first as slaves and later as free men, simply because they love this land and that for which it now stands. They are consequently imbued with the overriding sense of loyalty which such love naturally begets.

For their love of country, galvanized into effective action in time of war and in time of peace, the Black American patriots were remembered during this, their Black History Week and National Patriotic Week.

However, we must recognize that we do not discharge our obligation to the American patriot with a one week honor of his or her contribution. Nor can we give the proper respect and admiration to the Black combatants who served their country faithfully, gallantly and heroically during a single observance.

More importantly, we must draw inspiration from their actions and to pay our debt in their kind... by securing the future of our prosperity.

NCO's answer to last Ramblin Sam

864th Engr. Bn has a vital mission

During the winter storm last year our unit saved Fort Point from serious flood damage, pumping water day and night. A hazardous project was completed involving the use of electrical and gas operated equipment on and near water which resulted in a new set of boat docks for the Ft. Baker Yacht Club.

Working closely with the National Archives in Washington, D.C., the 864th upgraded and repaired the walls at Fort Point which had deteriorated to the point of being a safety hazard.

We removed seven antenna towers from Bodago Bay and transported them to Sacramento. The towers ranged from 80 to 120 feet in length and were located dangerously close to cliffs.

We accomplished a clean up of a crashed barge in San Francisco Bay at the request of the US Coast Guard. The barge was at first reported to be carrying dangerous chemicals but 864th personnel boarded the vessel immediately without regard for personal safety, and the unit was highly commended by the Coast Guard for its actions.

Other projects this year have included:

- Upgraded several 91st Div. buildings at Ft. Baker.
- Renovated the Ft. Scott pistol range to meet Army standards.
- Supported the 13th and 14th Engineer Battalions with heavy earthmoving equipment during the construction of the new airstrip at Hunter Liggett.
- Put a new metal building in Ft. Scott for steam cleaning equipment.
- Rebuilt building T-620, Ft. Scott.
- Constructed a ramp at the Civilian Personnel office giving handicapped persons proper access to

the building.

- Participated in a juvenile delinquency prevention summer recreation program with the San Francisco Police Department.

- Cleaned up and restored Battery Dynamite to a condition where it could be used within 48 hours in an emergency. Also, historical records on the battery dating back to the turn of the century were compiled.

- Currently upgrading the reserve training facility at Camp Parks.

It is important to note that the 864th has accomplished these and many other tasks while

carrying out the routine jobs which most people take for granted, such as normal construction and repair work here on the installation.

This unit also has the responsibility of opening roads to area hospitals and clearing an airstrip along the Great Highway in the event that the major earthquake, which many are predicting, actually does strike.

We of the 864th Engineer Battalion feel that our mission is clear and that we provide a vital service to this installation and the surrounding community.

SSG Thomas G. Plemons

National Patriotism Week

Lately the word "patriot" has been taken out of storage, brushed off and put back into circulation. The fortunate return of 52 Americans from unlawful captivity and the election of a new president seems to have revitalized this sacred word.

Individuals who once marched in our nation's streets, chanting anti-war slogans and calling for us to "give peace a chance" have, once again, stepped into the public eye. Now, however, their hair is shorter and cleaner, they wear three-piece suits and designer dresses and they are the models of middle-class life. Once they burned the American flag. Now they are waving it with great, emotional pride.

It's good to see this country becoming "one nation indivisible" again. It's good to feel the rebirth of national identification where Old Glory and its anthem brings tears to the eyes of young and old alike. It's good to watch uniformed members of the military being hailed as heroes, regard-

less of their rank and race.

Too bad there are some 55 thousand Americans buried around this great land who will never feel one single moment of this patriotic rebirth. It's a terrible shame there are thousands more Americans who feel cheated by this new nationalism. They sit crippled in wheel chairs and bear the visible scars of hurt. Their welcome home was thundering silence. Their nation tied no ribbons for them. They are, for all practical purposes, forgotten.

If this new feeling of patriotism is to last, we need to take some time to look back and offer at least one unqualified, heart-felt token of gratitude. We can't change what happened in Vietnam. We can, however, heal some old wounds by paying long overdue tribute to American patriots who are heroes in their own right. It's time to finish what we, as a country, began many years before and then get on to the business of being a United States of America.

All Black units served here

From Valley Forge to Vietnam, Black American servicemen have responded to their nation's call to duty.

Blacks served side by side with whites in integrated army and navy units from the Revolutionary struggle to the War of 1812. But from the beginning of the Civil War to the start of the Korean conflict, blacks fought under a "separate but equal" policy.

About the time black volunteers of the Spanish-American War began returning to civilian life, the United States embarked on a campaign in the Philippine Islands to crush the independence movement led by Emilio Aguinaldo. The 24th Infantry was the first black regular regiment sent to the West Coast for possible duty in the Philippines.

Contingents of the regiment started arriving at the Presidio of San Francisco in the early part of 1899. By mid-1899, contingents of the 24th Infantry embarked for the Philippines. Portions of all four black regiments of the regular army came through the gates of the Presidio enroute to the Philippines.

In 1902, the 3rd Squadron of the 9th Cavalry came to the Presidio as its first black permanent troops. During their stay at the Presidio they served as President Roosevelt's escort when he visited San Francisco in 1903. The occasion was, according to a newspaper account, "the first instance in the west where black soldiers have held that position of honor in a public procession."

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19 PSF personnel complete NASAP

Nineteen soldiers and DA Civilians assigned to various units became the first graduates of the Navy Alcohol Safety Action Program to be conducted on the Presidio in ceremonies at the Community Center last Friday.

The program was offered by the PSF Human Resource Division's Alcohol and Drug Assistance Office to Unit alcohol and drug coordinators and supervisory personnel.

Maj. Robert McKenzie, chief of the Human Resources Division, termed the course, "a very positive advance in preventative education on the subject of drug use in our daily lives" and added, "This was the first time that this type of training has been offered here as a joint effort by Army and NASAP personnel. We are very pleased with the results and hope to schedule similar courses in the future."

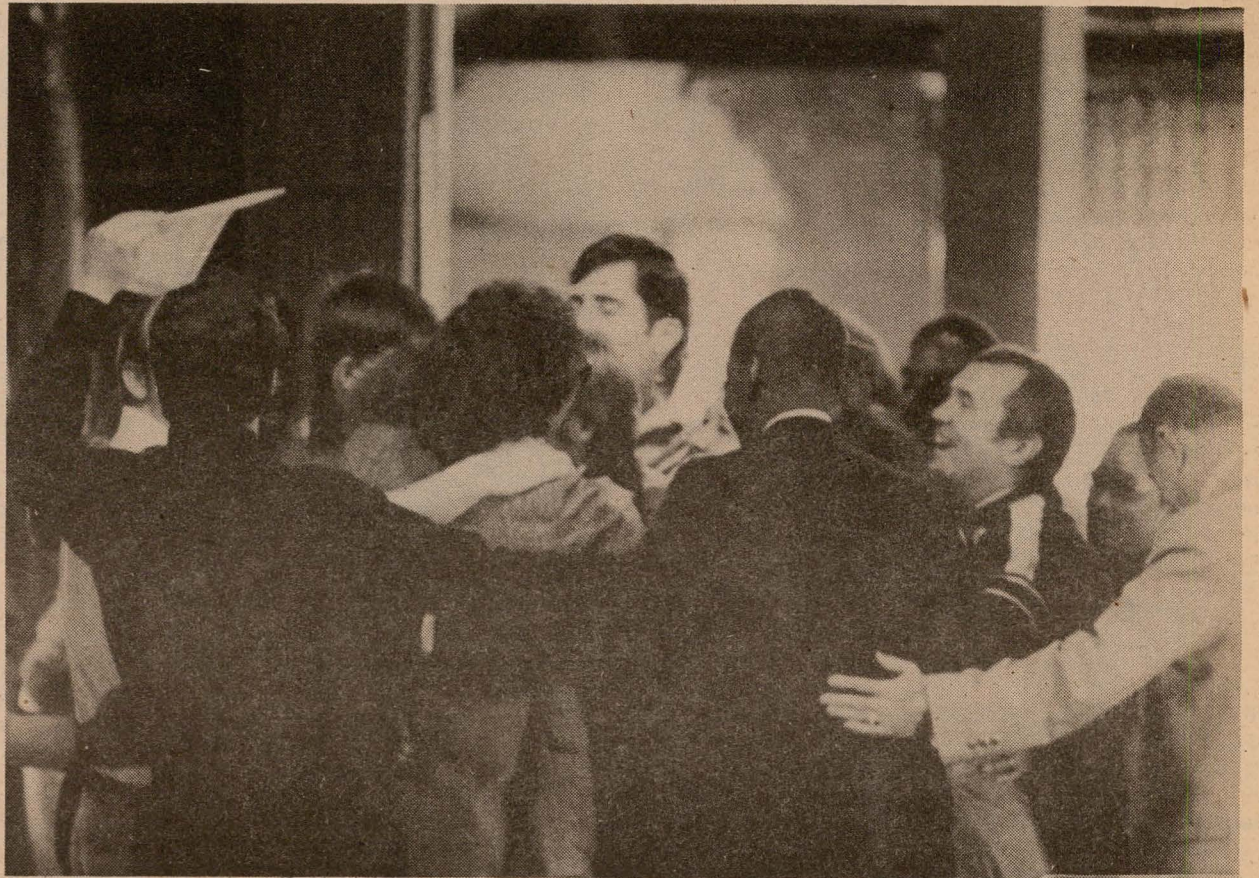
The NASAP approach, to dealing with alcohol problems is non-traditional, utilizing role modeling and the offering of alternatives to drinking. It has proven highly successful in preventing alcoholism in the Navy and is now available at more than 35 locations throughout the world.

Judda Garcia, one of the NASAP facilitators from the Alameda Naval Air Station who participated in the course, described the program as "a profile of a winner."

She further explained, "NASAP is not a school for alcoholics or a therapy group. It offers problem drinkers or potential alcoholics an opportunity to change their lives through intrapersonal experience and personal enhancement."

Skip Przybyla, PSF ADAP Education Coordinator, who organized the course for PSF personnel said that he was somewhat surprised at the broad content of the program, which covered not only alcohol but the many other drugs, legal or otherwise, which are prevalent in our society.

He added, "Because we are a drug oriented



Graduates of the NASAP Program give each other a congratulatory hug.

society, I think that it is important that people look at the relationship they have with drugs and become aware of what effect it has on their daily lives. This course offers an excellent opportunity for individuals to learn how to define that relationship and recognize potential dangers."

Przybyla is planning to open the program for enrollment by active duty, dependents, retired military, and DA Civilians in the future. He

emphasized, "We feel that the course will be helpful to people at any level whether they feel concerned about themselves, their families or subordinates."

Individuals or units desiring to participate in this program or any of the other educational services provided by ADAP should contact Skip Przybyla at ext. 2528.

Military Police warn pedestrians

It seems to be time for some tough talk about survival on the streets of the Presidio! Statistics, charts and graphs are useful when talking about objects, but these cold, factual presentations don't show suffering and death!

A week doesn't seem to pass that the Traffic Section of the Military Police isn't called upon to investigate an accident with injuries. It's bad enough when only cars are involved. When human beings are bruised, battered, maimed or killed, it's horrible! A 2,000 pound car is built to absorb the punishment of the road. Most car manufacturers are quick to point out how "structurally sound and ride engineered" their product is made.

Car manufacturers seldom, however, point out how effective their product can be as a deadly weapon. They've never made a single commercial showing what their car will do, traveling at 35 miles-per-hour, to a 3 year old child weighing 40 pounds! Yet, why should they? If they build a safe vehicle, their responsibility ends when a driver gets behind the wheel.

If you've ever crossed a street using a marked crosswalk or walked along the edge of an unlighted road at night, perhaps you'll find this interesting. It's an experiment to illustrate what a modestly-sized car can do to you traveling slower than 20 miles per-hour. First you locate a friend who you consider to be stronger than average. Then you and your friend go to the nearest bowling alley.

With the permission of the manager, get a 16 pound, regulation bowling ball and hand it to your friend. Stand about 10 feet away from your friend, facing him or her. Now have this friend throw the ball at you as hard as possible! No fooling around, now! Really have that hard, rubber-based, 16 pound ball heaved at your midsection or legs! Chances are very good that the damage you'll sustain to your body will be minor

compared to the injuries you would receive from that car mentioned earlier!

The Military Police of the Presidio have two messages they want you to receive loud and clear. They don't care if you like them or not, they just want you to believe them!

The first message is about crosswalks, marked and unmarked. There is no guarantee that a driver in a car will stop for you. Period! You may have the right-of-way, you may be lawfully crossing the street. You may have given the driver plenty of time to stop. You may, however, be killed! The California Motor Vehicle Code says that drivers must yield the right-of-way to people crossing in crosswalks. If a driver fails to do so, he or she might be cited for a violation.

Of course, if the driver doesn't stop while you're in the cross-walk, you become a target for 2,000 pounds of

metal!

You jump. The driver swerves. You're dead!

Two simple messages that may save your life. One: Don't assume a driver will stop for you when you enter a cross-walk. Before crossing, wait, look both ways, make certain you're seen and the drivers are stopping their cars. Two: When walking or jogging after dark, wear light colored and reflective clothing that can be seen. Make sure you can't be hit! The MP's of the Presidio would be more than happy never to investigate another accident involving a car and a person. The folks in the Emergency Room at LAMC would be tickled pink never having to repair a battered and broken body resulting from 2,000 pounds of metal hitting a human body. They all have better things to do with their time... and you have far better things to do to your body!

The second message is about walking at night on or near the edge of the road. The worst example is where the roadway is unlighted and you're wearing dark clothing. Cars come equipped with headlights which are supposed to be turned on when it becomes dark. Cars also, as established earlier, come equipped with drivers when they are moving.

Drivers are told not to "over-drive" their headlamps. This is to allow sufficient braking time when an object comes into view. Unfortunately, too many drivers don't see a need to obey this rule and, in some cases, there are drivers who just can't see!

If you're walking or jogging on or near the edge of an unlighted road after dark, you've become a target. You're an even better target if you decide to wear dark clothing. That driver may not see you until it's too late.

Action Line

The Star Presidian would like to hear from you. If you have a problem, suggestion, or comment, call our Action Line at 561-5463.

All Action Line calls will be treated as Letters to the Editor.

WWII POWs remember Corregidor

Editor's Note: In a recent edition of the Star Presidian, we printed a story about Reba Tobiason, an Air Force nurse who became the first POW of World War II. We failed to note that the late Mrs. Tobiason was the first POW in the European Theater of Operations. We regret this omission, but it did lead us to the following story. Our deepest thanks to Capt. Kermit Lay, USA, Ret., who was of great help in bringing this incredible story to light. Capt. Lay is a survivor of the Bataan "Death March" and the current editor of the POW newsletter, The Zentsujian. The pictures for this story are provided by Mrs. Peggy Greenwalt Walcher and are reproduced with her permission.

By K. Douglas Cook

Today Bruce and Peggy Walcher spend a good deal of their time traveling, doting on their first grandchild and enjoying their well-earned retirement years. They are to all outward appearances, just another American couple who have entered the so-called "golden years" of life. It is seldom they think about, much less relate to others, what happened to them so many years ago, so far from their home near San Francisco.

Although they won't admit it, Bruce and Peggy are charter members of an exclusive club which is composed of what we might call heroes. They helped to write several pages of American history with sacrifices so deep that it is difficult to adequately express in mere words. Bruce and Peggy Walcher are, in every sense of the word, American patriots!

39 years ago the United States was formally at war with Imperial Japan and the other Axis powers. Pearl Harbor was still in ruins as the Japanese army began to expand and tighten its grip on the western Pacific. For the United States and its allies in the Pacific, it was one of the blackest times of WW II.

On the Bataan Peninsula, 2nd Lt. Peggy Greenwalt and 59 other American nurses worked with some 40 Filipino nurses in the medical facilities. Peggy had arrived on Luzon in the Philippines in 1940 after a 3-year tour of duty at Letterman Army Hospital, Presidio of San Francisco. Prior to 1943, Army nurses were assigned "revelant rank" by the military and were referred to as "Miss."

In March, 1942, a young Quartermaster officer, 2nd Lt Bruce Walcher arrived on Bataan, having recently been activated from Reserve status to help bolster Army manpower so desperately needed.

It is likely that, in the confusing early days of April, 1942, Peggy Greenwalt met Bruce Walcher, but neither is totally certain. What was certain, however, is that the Japanese army was, by April 6, 1942, making its way towards the Bataan Peninsula. Attacks from the air, sea and, finally, land, became increasingly fierce.

Just south of Bataan, in the entrance waters to Manila Bay stood the rock island fortress of Corregidor, site of the headquarters for General Douglas MacArthur. It was an awesome fortification, complete



Middleside Hospital on Corregidor which became nurses' POW camp for short time.

headed across the North Channel for the two-mile trip to Corregidor. Due to the presence of Japanese planes and the immediate danger of strafing, the crossing took three hours, but Peggy Greenwalt and her fellow nurses finally reached Corregidor during the afternoon of April 9. Behind them, Bataan had fallen.

2nd Lt Bruce Walcher and thousands of other soldiers who had not escaped Bataan that April day stood bruised, battered and starving facing their Japanese captors. Lined up in columns of fours, as could be seen by observers on Corregidor, the defenders of Bataan were observed off to the northeast towards POW camps as the infamous Bataan "Death March" began.

Late in the evening of April 8, the decision was made to evacuate the nurses from the two general hospitals on Bataan. They loaded up on trucks for the trip to an evacuation point at Mariveles where boats would take them to Corregidor. Peggy Greenwalt Walcher recalls the nightmarish scene.

"Ammunition dumps were exploding all around us, causing delays. Starving and battered American soldiers approached us along the way, begging for whatever food we might have! We knew these men would soon be prisoners."

It wasn't until 5:00 am that Peggy and her fellow nurses arrived at Mariveles only to find that the boats from Corregidor had departed. 1st Lt. Josie Nesbitt, the chief nurse, went back to headquarters to contact Corregidor to request the boats be sent once again. As the rest of the nurses waited, Japanese planes spotted them and attacked.

"We scattered as the planes attacked," recalls Peggy. "Some of us hid in unused drainage pipes, some under the trucks and the rest in a shallow cave nearby!"

The Japanese invade

The Japanese now turned their attention to the capture of Corregidor. From April 9 to May 6, 1942, the Japanese pounded the fortification and adjoining smaller island with deadly and incessant artillery fire to include devastating 240mm guns.

Wainwright, now a Lieutenant General, having heard about his promotion over a radio broadcast, marshalled his beleaguered forces which were woefully short of food, water and ammunition. Corregidor was the last throne in the side of the Japanese and they were determined to overcome it or destroy it!

Peggy Greenwalt Walcher remembers those final days before the surrender. **"We knew the end was near. Some of the soldiers, civilians and nurses had been evacuated by Navy planes and a submarine. For the rest of us, it was a matter of survival. The wounded kept coming into the tunnels where we had set up the hospital. The shelling grew worse with each passing hour!"**

By May 5, the Japanese had all but destroyed the massive fortified gun emplacements on Corregidor. Barges carrying Japanese troops were launched from Bataan as the first stages of the land assault began. Individual acts of bravery and heroism became common place among the defenders of Corregidor.

The first wave of assault barges were badly hit by direct fire from remaining guns, yet the Japanese were not to be dissuaded. The second wave came in early in the morning of May 6th and landed. Fighting now became a bloody inch-by-inch battle with rifles, pistols, hand grenades and knives.

By mid-morning on May 6, Wainwright knew the end was at hand. He dispatched a final message to Washington informing them of the surrender. Then, just before 11 am, Peggy and her fellow nurses listened to a radio broadcast in the tunnel where they had been for several days. General Wainwright ordered the surrender of all fortifications. Corregidor had fallen.

Including 1000 men brought from another location, the Japanese held a total of some 16,000 prisoners on the island of Corregidor. Although their fears of assault and abuse proved to be groundless, Peggy Greenwalt Walcher recounts the conditions immediately after the surrender.

"We were kept in the tunnels with little water and food. What made it even worse was the foul air and oppressive heat. We stayed in the tunnels, feeling progressively worse, until finally we strongly protested to the Japanese!"

As a result of their protests, the nurses and patients were moved to the bombed-out Middleside Hospital on June 25, 1942. The Japanese had ordered that all cameras be surrendered, but Peggy made the decision to hide a small Kodak box camera. It was with this camera hidden in a paper sack that she was able to take pictures of her first days in captivity.

The battered condition of the hospital and the on-set of daily downpours prompted the Japanese to again move the nurses on July 2. First by boat and then by truck the women arrived at Santa Tomas University in Manila. Their stay there was brief as people already held at the school made such a fuss over the arriving nurses that the Japanese moved the nurses once again!

For the next seven weeks, Peggy and her fellow nurses found themselves locked up in two rooms at Santa Catalina Dormitory run by Catholic Nuns near the university. They were allowed to leave the rooms for one hour in the morning and one hour in the afternoon. On August 24, 1942, the nurses were moved once again, this time back to Santa Tomas University. It was here, living in another dormitory and working as nurses to the sick, injured and dying, that the nurses would spend the rest of their days as POW's!

Lt Bruce Walcher was not fairing as well as a Japanese POW. With the thousands of others who had survived the "Death March," Bruce found himself in a succession of POW camps, each having unique hell-like qualities all of its own. In one camp, Bruce ran afoul of the guards.

"It was a good idea to maintain a very low profile in those days! However, in one camp a friend and I were caught reading a book! As punishment, my friend and I were made to stand in one place, holding a book out in front of us." Bruce smiled slightly as he continued. "You can't imagine how heavy a single book can get after a few hours!"

Meanwhile, things at Santa Tomas ground down to a survival pace for Peggy and her friends. Hunger and outwitting the Japanese guards to get basic needs was the order of the day.

"At first there was a Japanese civilian commandant at Santa Tomas. He was somewhat reasonable and we were allowed to receive Canadian Red Cross Kits and, later, American Red Cross Kits. Of course, the Japanese were careful to remove the Old Gold cigarettes as they had a patriotic slogan printed on each pack!" Peggy added.

By 1944, the tone of Santa Tomas began to change. The Allied forces were well into their bloody island-by-island fight towards the Philippines. At the university, the civilian commandant was replaced with a military officer. Peggy recalls that things began to get rough for the POW's!



Peggy Greenwalt (foreground, smiling) on rescue boat being taken from Bataan to Corregidor, April 8, 1942.

with tunnels and reinforced gun positions. Many felt it was fully capable of withstanding even the most determined enemy attack.

By April 8, 1942, it had become painfully obvious that the Bataan Peninsula could not be held. 2nd Lt Walcher and many other thousands of Americans had been gradually retreating southward down the peninsula towards Mariveles, trying to delay the Japanese and praying for a miracle which would never come. General MacArthur had been ordered to leave Corregidor by PT boat. He had departed the island, leaving Maj Gen Jonathan "Skinny" Wainwright in command. It would be several years before MacArthur would fulfill the pledge, "I shall return."

Escape to Corregidor

Just before 10 am on April 9, the weary nurses ran to the docks when an engineer launch piloted by a brave black soldier came into view. Because of the intense bombing, the soldier would bring the launch in, pick up as many women as he could and circle out into the water separating Bataan and Corregidor.

Finally, with all the nurses aboard, the launch



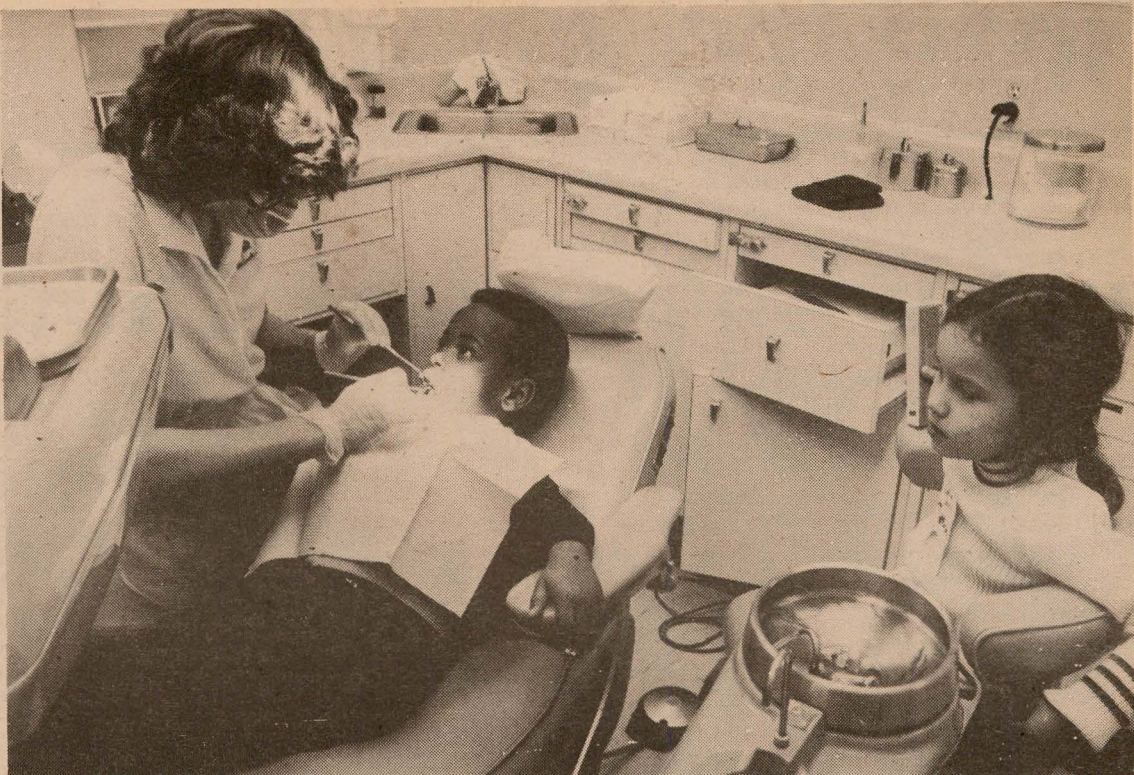
1st Lt Peggy Greenwalt just after return to the United States.
pines

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Childrens Dental Health Program observed here

Betty Butler, a dental hygienist at the LAMC DENTAL Facility, works on Bijon Logan as Cristina Bryant awaits her turn in the chair. The children were participating in the National Childrens Dental Health week activities which were held here this week at the Letterman Army Medical Center Dental Clinic.

The program included tours, films and flouride treatments for PSF pre-schoolers and Kindergarten students.



New drug much stronger than morphine

A new drug which is reportedly 80 times more potent than morphine has surfaced recently and has already caused several overdose deaths in the western states.

Known as "China White," the drug is being manufactured in clandestine laboratories in Southern California, according to Drug Enforcement Agency officials.

The DEA in Los Angeles reports that "China White" is a methyl analog of the drug Fentanyl, a generic drug, which is normally prescribed as a strong pain-killer. Fentanyl is a controlled substance but DEA officials could not comment on the

status of "China White" under the controlled substances act because of its relatively new arrival on the drug scene.

Similarly, at this time they could not comment on the method being used to package or market the substance. It is reportedly sold as a white powder at about the same price as heroin. Samples which have been seized thus far were found to contain 99 percent lactose and one percent of the drug.

Presidio Alcohol and Drug Assistance officials report that there have been no verified cases of the new drug reported by Army authorities. It is

suspected to be the cause of an overdose which occurred several weeks ago at Ft. Ord, but a laboratory analysis has not yet been completed to verify that suspicion.

A telephone survey to Bay Area drug crisis centers revealed that very little, if any, "China White" has made its way to San Francisco thus far.

Provost Marshall, Maj. Robert Meybin, asks that anyone on the installation with information indicating the possible presence of "China White" in this area contact the Military Police.

Texaco will discontinue marketing leaded premium gasoline

Texaco, Incorporated, Presidio exchange service station gasoline supplier, has announced that leaded premium gasoline has been discontinued. A high octane unleaded gasoline is now being delivered to all Texaco supplied exchange service stations located in California.

PSF Exchange officials want to remind customers who normally use leaded premium

gasoline in their vehicles that the high octane unleaded gasoline can be used as an alternative in most 1971-74 models.

The phase out of the Texaco leaded premium product resulted from the growing demand for unleaded gasoline and the fact that leaded premium gasoline sales represent less than 7% of all

the gasoline sales in the United States today. According to a Texaco spokesman, gasoline storage space is scarce and refining capabilities are limited. Accordingly, the leaded premium has been phased-out and will no longer be available. Amoco and Shell Oil Companies discontinued the production of leaded premium gasoline last December.

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It was in March, 1944 that Peggy was allowed to receive her first letter from home. Until that time, news of the war and home-front had been sketchy at best. Among rumors which had been circulating was one about a book. Peggy's first letter confirmed the rumor. It also told of her father's death in 1942.

"I learned that a book had been written about the fall of Corregidor. You can imagine that I was surprised to learn that the main female character in the book, an Army nurse, was named Peggy!" she said.

By July, 1944, Santa Tomas became a place where death was an almost daily event. The Japanese, faced with the ever-increasing pressures of an advancing Allied force, cut the food rations harshly. Starvation began to set in and take its grim toll.

The Japanese began to fortify the university grounds with extra barbed wire and machine gun nests. Blackouts were enforced at night and, by September, 1944, the nurses began to see American planes conducting bombing attacks on nearby military targets. The appearance of American planes and the increasing air attacks had a significant effect on the women as well as the rest of the POW's.

"We were thrilled to see our boys diving out of the air in their fighters and bombers!" Peggy said. **"Even though the air would fill with smoke, debris and shrapnel, we were cheering them on!"**

It was in January, 1945 that the nurses realized that liberation might be near. The Japanese began to burn documents, pack up military equipment and plant demolition charges. By the end of January, bridges, main roads and other key installations had been blown up by the Japanese.

Liberation came at 9 pm on a Saturday evening, February 3, 1945. It began with a distant rumble, punctuated by the sounds of machine-gun fire. Peggy recalls what happened next.

"We heard these sounds and rushed to our windows to see what was happening. There were more sounds of fighting much closer when, in the darkness, the gates of the university were smashed open. Searchlights and flares lit up the campus and we could see a tank! Then more tanks! Santa Tomas went wild as the Americans had arrived!"

The liberators of Santa Tomas turned out to be the "Flying Column" elements of the 1st Cavalry Division and the 44th Tank Battalion. Once inside the university

grounds, the soldiers were faced with yet another problem. While the POW's were thrilled to see them, the Japanese remaining in the camp refused to surrender.

The Japanese commandant and his soldiers held one building and some 200 POW's as hostages. Intense negotiations between the Americans and Japanese lasted until Monday morning. Finally, with the Japanese escorted from Santa Tomas, the camp was free! Peggy Greenwalt and 67 other American nurses had survived.

Yet, even in the heady triumph of liberation, fate took one last ironic twist. Japanese naval forces decided to make a last stand and rained down artillery shells on Santa Tomas for several days, killing nearly 20 of the recently-freed POW's. It was during this last savage attack that Gen MacArthur paid a visit to the camp to meet the survivors.

On February 16, 1945, 1st Lt Peggy Greenwalt Walcher and her friends boarded a plane. They had spent 33 months as prisoners, over 1000 days!

"We flew to Hawaii, making several stops along the way. At each stop we were greeted like heroes! We were all excited and happy, but, in truth, we were not in very good shape."

After a 5-day stop-over in Honolulu, the nurses were flown to San Francisco for a medical examination. It was from Letterman Army Hospital that Peggy Greenwalt left in 1940 and, in 1945, it was where she once again stood a free American!

The ordeal which began at Corregidor was not yet over for Bruce Walcher. After a series of POW camps, many of the American officers found themselves in Japan itself. The ravages of hunger and disease had taken its toll on the men. Many of the soldiers were taken to the Zentsuji POW Camp. Bruce Walcher and many others were held on the main Japanese island of Honshu in a camp called Roku Roshu which, as the name implies, was surrounded by six hills.

In early September, 1945, Bruce recalls that the Japanese guards just took off, leaving them behind. It was when the POW's saw American planes flying through the valleys apparently looking for them that they realized the long-awaited liberation day was at hand!

"The planes spotted us as we stood waving at them from the camp," Bruce said. **"They they began to make passes over us, dropping drums filled with food attached to parachutes. We weren't the least**

bit ungrateful, but we did have to do some fast dodging when those heavy drums broke free of the parachutes!"

The survivors of the "Death March" had spent 41 months in captivity. They had endured some 1230 days of hell in the name of freedom! It was an act of faith and hope.

In Bruce Walcher's words, **"Those who gave up hope just didn't come home."**

Peggy Greenwalt met Bruce Walcher in a Quartermaster warehouse at Fitzsimmons Army Hospital in Denver. It was 1946 and both were Captains. They fell in love, married and, subsequently, departed the service. Bruce eventually took a position within the federal government which, before his retirement, took both Peggy and him to many countries. And yes, both have returned to Bataan and Corregidor.

Today the Walchers live in a comfortable home where they remain active members of society. They have been witnesses to Korea and Vietnam. They rejoiced in the 1973 release of our prisoners from Vietnamese camps. Their elation matched ours as they saw 52 Americans come home from Iran after 444 days of captivity. They understand what it means to have freedom.

Of special note is that book Peggy learned about in March, 1944 when she received her first letter from home. Written by William L. White, it was published in 1942 and republished again in 1943 and 1944. In early 1945, a movie based upon this book was released by MGM starring John Wayne, Donna Reed and Robert Montgomery. The movie and book shared the same title, **"They Were Expendable."**

The main female character in the book is an Army nurse named Peggy. The real Peggy has read the book and pronounces it to be "quite accurate."

If there is a common thread which binds Peggy and Bruce Walcher with the other POW's of World War II, Korea, Vietnam and, most recently, Iran, it is that steel-forged belief in America. It is an unashamed love of this country, a patriotic sense that "one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all" are not hollow words.

Perhaps Peggy's words say it best. **"While I was a prisoner, I knew my country would not forget me. I knew someday I would be free. I never once lost faith in America!"**

Time to spare

Last weekend of Chinese New Year

The Year of the Rooster celebration winds up this weekend with many activities scheduled. On Saturday at noon there will be a **fashion show** featuring the 16 Miss Chinatown USA finalists modeling designer wear and furs. Tickets may be obtained by calling 982-3762.

The **Golden Dragon Parade** starring the 150-foot Gum Lung will feature a Ch'ing dynasty wedding procession, illuminated floats, towering oriental dieties, Miss Chinatown finalists, figures from Chinese folklore, and hundreds of costumed marchers and musicians.

The parade will go from Pine and Battery to Market, then west on Market to Kearny. From there it will proceed north on Kearny to Pacific, passing the reviewing stand on the east side of Kearny between Washington and Jackson streets. It begins at 7 p.m.

After the parade there will be a presentation of the Chinese play "**Gung Hay Fat Choy**" by the Ghung Lau Drama Club. It will include music and folk dancing. Curtain time is 9 p.m. at the St. Mary's School auditorium located at 872 Clay Street. Admission is free.

On Sunday a **Chinese New Year** will be sponsored by the Chinatown Branch YMCA. There will be two races of 6.2 and 3.2 miles each, starting at Bush and Grant at 9 a.m. To register call Mary Wong at 982-4412. Entry fee is five dollars.

There will be an **outdoor art show** by the Artists Guild of San Francisco on Sunday at 10 a.m. It will be held at Hoover Redwood Grove, west of 19th Avenue and Lincoln Way on South Drive, Golden Gate Park.

A five hour seminar on **Japanese woodwork-ing techniques** will be held on Saturday, Feb. 21 at 9 a.m. For additional information call the craft shop at 561-4497.

Betty Kaplowitz, a popular San Francisco and Bay Area country-rock vocalist will perform at the recreation center on Monday, Feb. 23, from 8:30 to 10:30.

Ten area officers, most of whom are LAMC doctors, belonging to the Omega Psi Phi fraternity, along with the African American Historical Society will present a health **educational and career day** tomorrow at 680 McAllister St. in San Francisco.

The program, which lasts from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. will include hypertension screening, dentistry and oral hygiene, and legal counseling for students on college curriculum and careers, advice on alcohol induced diseases, information on black related diseases and counseling on childhood diseases and immunizations.

Five guest speakers are scheduled for the day beginning at 11 a.m. and continuing until 2 p.m.

The speakers will cover a variety of topics including black related cancers, dentistry and oral hygiene, hypertension in blacks, arthritis in blacks, and childhood diseases and immunizations.

As part of **Black History Month**, the Presidio Black History Committee has scheduled activities at LAIR auditorium on Feb. 20 from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m.

The program will include musical performances and skits. The performers will be nationally known recording artists and musicians as well as performers from the local civilian and military community.



Good shopping this weekend

This is the last weekend of the Chinese New Year celebration for the Year of the Rooster. Many

The Rec Center is organizing a **tour of the Ano Nuevo State Reserve** to observe northern elephant seals. It is set for Sunday, March 8, from 9:30 to 5:30 p.m. If they do not receive enough applications by that time, the trip will be cancelled. Price for the tour is \$10.00.

The **Record Express** has been changed to Mondays at 8 p.m. and the **Presidio Chess Club** now meets each Thursday from 4:30 until 10 p.m. The center is offering **piano lessons** on weekdays and **computer game classes** every Tuesday at 7 p.m. Persons who wish to check out the computers and tapes must have attended the class.

SSG John Camaren, a holder of both the Black Sash and Black Belt in Martial Arts will be **conducting a demonstration** of Kung Fu skills of Feb. 25 at 6:30 p.m. in the main post gym. If enough people express interest in learning more about Martial Arts, a class will be offered beginning in March.

The **1981 Army Marathon** program is now underway, with the Training Camp to be held May 10-23 at a site yet to be determined. If interested, athletes must submit an application, Privacy Act statement, and a commander's letter of concurrence. The application must also include a copy of certification of participation, signed by the competition/meet director of any sanctioned marathon (26 miles, 395 yds.) competition in which the individual has competed between Jan. 1, 1980 and March 1, 1981. For further information, call Mr. Darling at ext. 4120/5032 at the main gym, Bldg. No. 63.

activities are being planned. Shoppers will find many items on sale from street vendors like these.

Outdoor Recreation has **two houses at South Shore**, and a **four-bedroom condominium at King's Beach**, North Shore, Lake Tahoe for rent. They are fully furnished and may be reserved. A maximum of 30 days in advance by calling 561-4324.



Aussie EOD expert

Capt. A. R. Pearson, an Australian Army explosive ordinance expert, examines a 105 mm high explosive anti-tank projectile. He has been temporarily assigned to the 548th EOD Detachment. Pearson is visiting EOD units all over the United States to see how they operate.

Presidio movie scene and flick preview

Presidio Theater

Feb. 21 **Disney's Song of the South** (G) 2 p.m.
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Feb. 22 **Any Which Way You Can** (PG) 7 p.m.
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Feb. 24 **Any Which Way You Can** (PG) 7 p.m.
Feb. 25 **One Trick Pony** (R) 7 p.m.
Feb. 26 **Caboblanco** (R) 7 p.m.
Feb. 27 **Caboblanco** (R) 7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Feb. 23 **The Exterminator** (R) 7 p.m.
Feb. 24 **Disney's Song of the South** (G) 7 p.m.
Feb. 25 **Any Which Way You Can** (PG) 7 p.m.
Feb. 26 **One Trick Pony** (R) 7 p.m.
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Presidio Previews

Rock and roll will give you some laughs, but it won't do you any favors. **One Trick Pony** is a romantic drama with screenplay and music written by Paul Simon, drawn in part from his own experiences as a touring rock musician at a crossroads in life and in conflict with changing times.

Sports

Basketball tourney begins here

The men's and women's Post level basketball teams hosted Castle AFB last week with both teams splitting the games, the women 47-37 and 59-49, and the men 89-88 and 72-69.

In the men's first game, the teams fought back and forth, concentrating on offense. The coaches may have been dissatisfied with their teams poor showing on defense, but the fans were absolutely delighted as they watched both teams making shot-for-shot. Fortunately, the Presidians gained control of the ball for the last shot.

With less than a minute remaining, they worked the clock down to six seconds, passed the ball to Antho Braddy, who hit the winning basket with no time left on the clock. The Presidians were lead by Antho Braddy with 37, and Duane Gibson with 23.

In their second game, the Presidians appeared emotionally drained after their previous victory, falling behind early, and never could catch-up. Their opponents ended up having six players scoring in double figures, compared to just two from the Presidio, Duane Gibson 23 and James Jacobs 14.

In the women's first game, the Presidians played flat-footed and never really got into the contest, making numerous turnovers throughout much of the game. In their second game, the Presidians changed their game plan drastically by discarding their ineffective zone defense for a tough man-to-man, which completely threw their opponents off-guard. The pressure forced Castle to play transition basketball, which favored the home team, while putting Castle at a disadvantage. The Presidians were lead by game high scorer, Donna Clevelle with 28 pts.

Intramural playoffs

In the first game of the Post Intramural Basketball Tournament, losers bracket LAMC "A" stormed past the 504th MP Co., 63-40. Despite not having team leader Duane Gibson present for the game, the winners remained in the tourney by regrouping behind a well balanced team scoring attack with Jackie Melvin tossing in a game-high 22. The losers were paced by Thomas Jacobsen with 14.

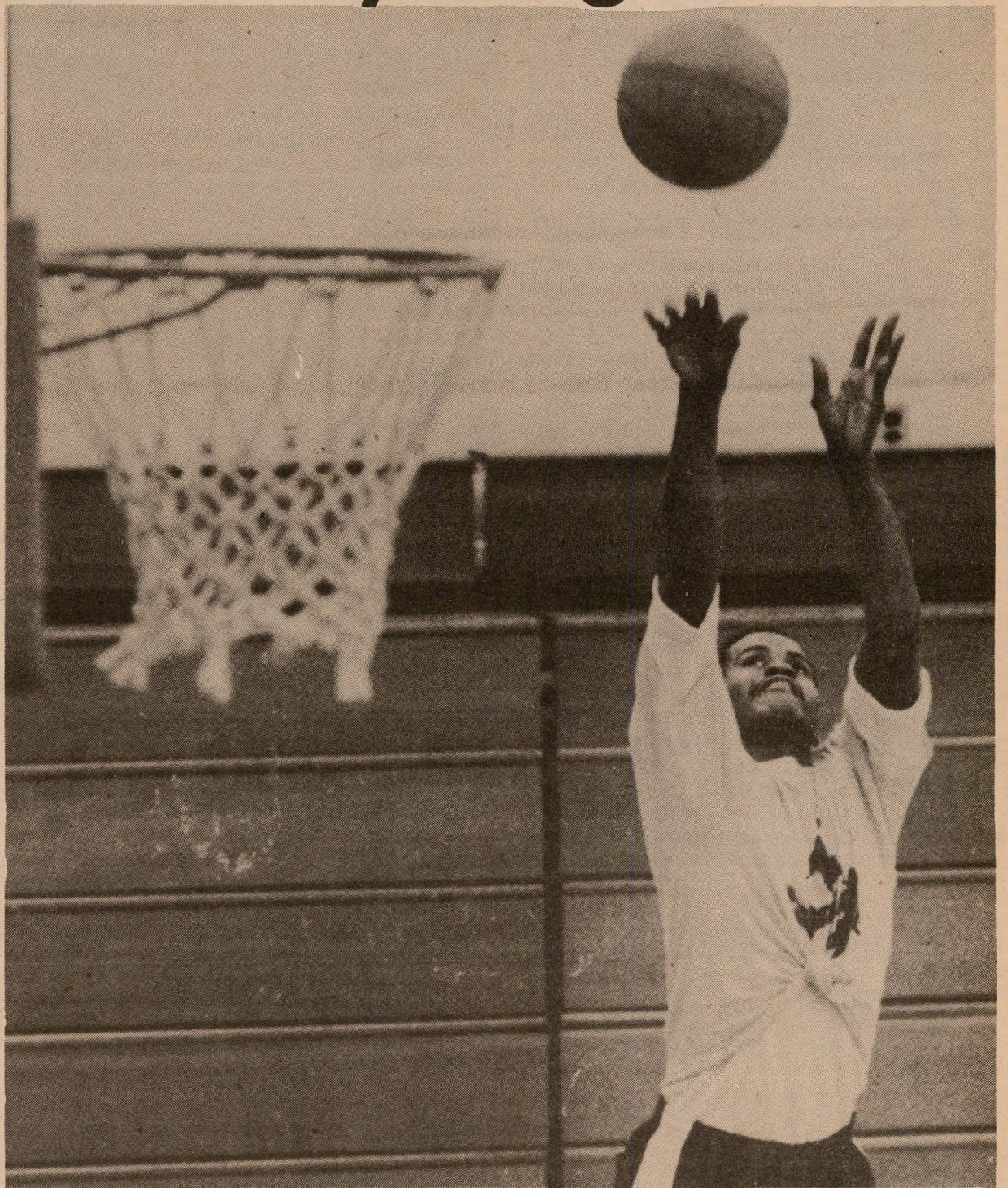
In the second game of the losers bracket, USAG demolished LAIR 76-54. Utilizing its superior height, USAG dominated the boards on both ends of the court. The men from Garrison were lead by Jim Watts with 23 and Michael Coatney with 20. The losers were lead by Charles White with 20.

In the quarter-finals of the winners bracket, 6th Army outlasted the 170th MP Co., 53-52. The teams played evenly until the final few minutes when 6th Army managed to pull ahead, behind Dusty Darby's hot-hand. The 170th group finally recomposed itself but failed to get the ball to Stanley Moss, who had hit three consecutive baskets to pull within striking distance in the closing minutes of the game. The winners were lead by Dusty Darby with 15, and John Davis with 12, while the losers were paced by Stanley Moss and Jose Pato with 12 apiece.

In the second quarter-final game, the Doctors of LAMC, managed to hold-off a tough 864th Eng., 58-51. They played evenly throughout much of the game, but the Doctors found themselves at the charity line often throughout the second half hitting a sizzling 20 of 26 freethrows, while their opponents managed only to hit seven of ten. The winners were lead by Dick Odom with 20, while the losers were lead by Mashawn Robinson with 15.

In other games of the week, the 864th Eng. was eliminated from the tourney by LAMC "A", lead by Duane Gibson's game-high 25. USAG eliminated the 170th MP Co. by a score of 61-54, behind Jim Watts 23 pts., then fought-off LAMC "A" 63-56, despite the losers receiving an outstanding 33 pts. from Jackie Melvin.

In the last game of the week, the Doctors totally demoralized hapless 6th Army in the semi-finals of the winner's bracket, by a score of 63-37. The Doctors received solid scoring performances from four players, who scored in double figures, while 6th Army's Dusty Darby scored a game-high 18. In next week's play, 6th Army pairs-off with USAG Feb. 17 at 6 p.m. to determine who will take on the Doctors in the finals, Feb. 18 at 6 p.m.



Larry Warren of the Presidio lofts a shot during practice for the All-Army Basketball Team. Warren and other members of the team are training at the main gym in preparation for the 1981 Interservice Basketball Championships to be held at the Presidio beginning March 10.

Aquarius team wins 58 ribbons

The Aquarius Swim Team brought home 26 ribbons from a recent meet held by the San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department and 32 ribbons from their competition in Santa Rosa last week.

In the SFRP meet's girls eight and under division, Dana Oxley won first place in the 25 yard breaststroke, and second in the 25 yard backstroke.

Tara Oxley took fifth place in the 50 yard backstroke and sixth in the 25 yard breaststroke. Jennifer Askew got fourth place in the 25 yard fly. Mike Szurek placed fifth in the 25 yard backstroke in the boys eight and under category.

Lisa Bell was a big winner in the girls 10 and under competition. She took second in the 100 yard fly, fourth in the 50 yard backstroke, 50 yard freestyle, 100 yard backstroke, and 50 yard fly events.

Becky Askew came in fourth in the 50 yard freestyle and took third in the 100 yard backstroke.

Scott Szurek was fifth among 11 and 12 year olds in the 100 yard backstroke.

In the boys 13 and 14 competition, Sean Mask took a third in the 50 yard freestyle, fourth in the 200 yard backstroke and 100 yard breaststroke, and a sixth in the 100 yard backstroke. Mike Fahey captured fourth in the 50 yard freestyle, fifth in the 100 yard breaststroke and sixth in the 200 yard breaststroke.

Carol Meshinsky was fifth in the 100 yard freestyle for girls 15 to 18.

At Santa Rosa Jennifer Bhalla took first in the 50 yard freestyle and added a third in the 25 yard freestyle, girls eight and under. In the boys eight

and under division, Mike Szurek placed fourth in the 25 yard fly and sixth in the 25 yard breaststroke.

Lisa Bell picked up six more ribbons to run her total for the two meets to 13. She was fourth in the 50 yard freestyle and 200 yard freestyle, fifth in the 50 yard fly and 100 yard freestyle, and placed sixth in the 100 yard breaststroke and individual medley events for girls 10 and under.

Lisa Langeliers garnered seconds in the 100 yard freestyle, 100 yard individual medley and 50 yard breaststroke along with a third in the 200 yard freestyle.

Scott Szurek placed fifth in the 100 yard fly event for boys 11 and 12. LeAnn Langeliers also finished third in the 100 yard fly for girls 11 and 12.

In the girls 13 and 14 category Blanca Castillo took third in the 100 yard fly, fourth in the 400 yard individual medley and fifth in the 200 yard breaststroke and 100 yard breaststroke.

Other top finishers in that division were Donna Hibbs and Melva George. Hibbs placed third in the 50 yard freestyle and George took third in the 100 yard breaststroke and fourth in the 200 yard breaststroke.

Victor Castillo took first place in the 50 yard freestyle and second in the 500 yard freestyle, 200 yard individual medley, and 100 yard breaststroke events. He also finished fourth in the 100 yard freestyle and sixth in the 100 yard backstroke in the boys 15 to 18 year old bracket.

Carol Meshinsky won first place in the 100 yard breaststroke for girls 15 to 18.

Presidio News Notes

Speed reading offered

The Community College Center will be offering a Speed Reading course at the Ft. Scott Education Center, Building 1216, March 31 through May 19 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday nights.

Students will learn to read words in groups, not individually; read for ideas, not words; sight down the page, line by line, instead by word by word;; comprehend effectively; and speed read newspapers, magazines, textbooks. Upon completion of the course, with proper practice, students should notice a significant increase in reading speed with good comprehension.

The course is free to military, dependents and DA civilians. For further information, or to sign up for the course, call ext. 2974/4445.

At the NCO Club

Join the urban cowboys at the NCO Club for the all new Country and Western Nights program on Friday nights. "Rowdy and the Rivets" will be entertaining you on March 20 and the "The Red Ryder" on March 27. Bands play from 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Don't forget the Boss Night on Feb. 27, 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Take your boss out to the club. Starting March 2, the club will be open for lunch on Mondays, mark your calendar.

Farewell tea for Baker

Mrs. Floyd Baker will be honored at a farewell tea given by the Letterman Women's Club on Feb. 26. Members are invited to come and say good-bye to "Dolly" who will be departing the Presidio the end of February to accompany her husband, Maj. Gen. Floyd Baker to Heidelberg, Germany. The tea will be held at 1001-B O'Reilly Ave. from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. Reservations are not necessary.

CCSF courses offered

The City College of San Francisco will offer courses on post from March 30 through May 28. The courses will be:

Introduction to Business (Bus 119) (3SH) — A general survey of the business world, covering the place of business in contemporary society. Designed to acquaint students with vocations in business and their functions, it covers significant contributions of the various fields of business, business policies and qualifications for employment, and discussion of aptitudes required in specialized fields. This course will be held on Tues./Thur., 6-9 p.m.

Personnel Management for Supervisors (Bus 205) (2SH) — Personnel techniques and principles for which the supervisor is partially responsible and for which he or she should have some training. Selection, testing, placement, orientation, training, counseling, merit rating, promotion, appraisals, transfer, and training for responsibility are also discussed. The class is to be held Tues./Thur. from 6-8 p.m.

Officer country

The Officers' Club will feature a live Country Western Band, "Red Ryder" on Friday, Feb. 27, in the Attic Lounge, from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. Join your friends for this foot-stomping event.

Home wanted



This cat was brought into the post veterinary clinic by an individual who is departing from the Presidio. The owner asked that he be "put to sleep" because he was spoiled and nobody would want him. If you would like to save his life call the vet clinic at ext. 2322.

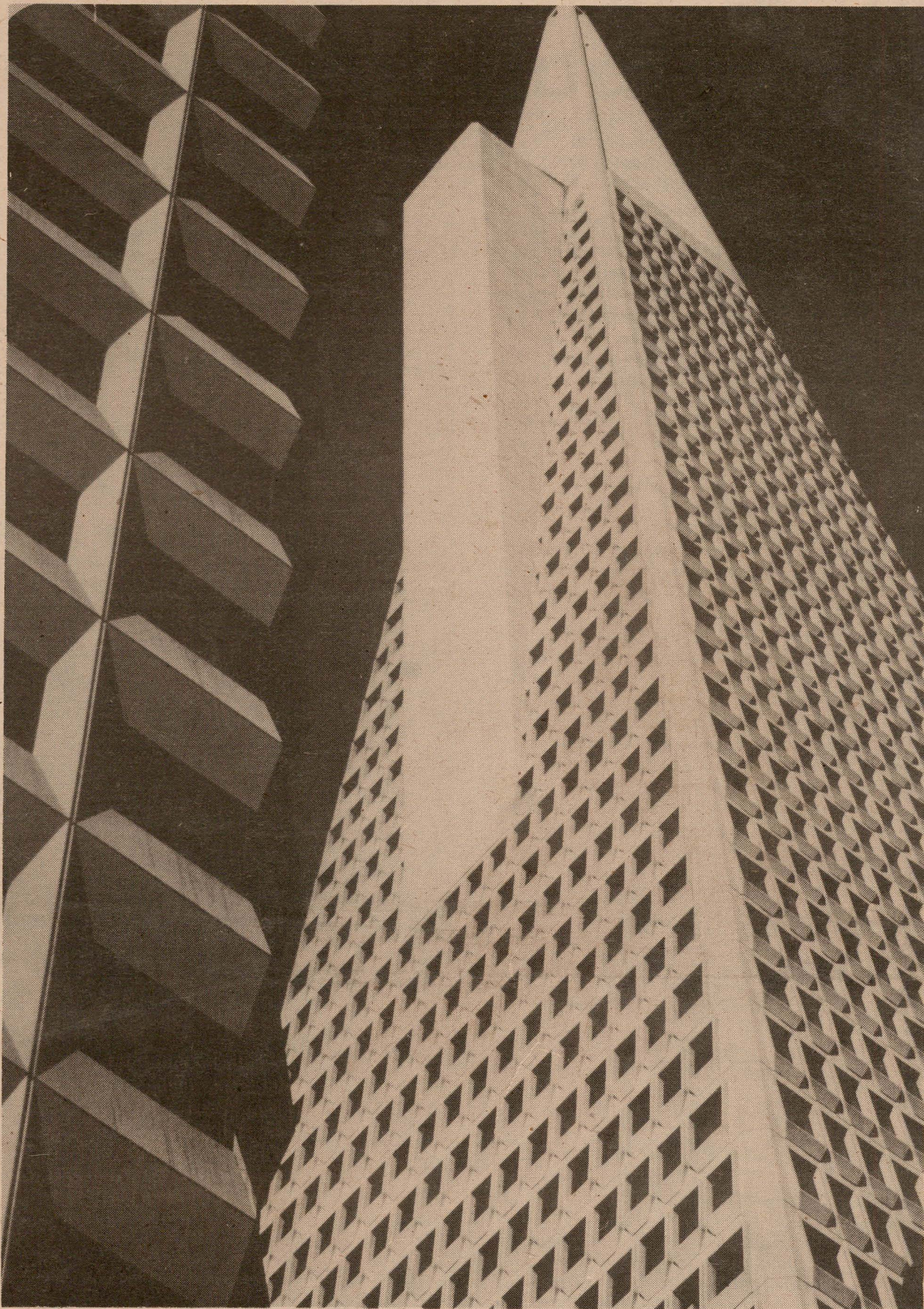


Photo of the Week

Mr. F. L. Terry won Photo of the Week honors with this shot of the Transamerica Building. We are

seeking photos for our weekly competition. Send your entry to Room 216, Bldg 37

Stop smoking

Smoke Stoppers, a smoke cessation agency, will be conducting a free introductory seminar in the Command Conference Room, Bldg. 220 at 4:30 p.m., Monday.

For more information contact Maj. McKenzie Human Resources Development Division at 561-3701/5730 or Judy Wachs at 924-3420.

Patient education

Letterman's Social Work Service will sponsor a nine-week Patient Education program for those 55 and over. Focus will be patient participation in preventive medicine and promotion of better health amongst outpatients.

The program will begin on Wednesday, March 4 and continue each Wednesday through April 29. Location is Room AS3209 in the Letterman Army Institute of Research (LAIR), from 10 to 11:30 a.m. There are no fees.

Health professionals from LAMC will be giving lectures/demonstrations, and discuss with participants on health issues that are of concern to them.

Topics to be included are how one can achieve better mental hygiene, better nutrition, physical health, dental care, pulmonary care, foot care, the causes of diabetes and arthritis, and the use of drugs.

For registration and further information, please call Social Work Services at 561-2174.

Bible study planned

The Ft. Scott Chapel is sponsoring a weeknight bible study fellowship each Tuesday evening at 7:30 p.m. The study is held in an informal manner with the emphasis on the importance of fellowship to successful christian living.

Clinics closing

All clinics at Letterman Army hospital will be closed on March 13 due to a training holiday. The Emergency Room will be open as usual.

New area recruiter

SFC Terry Barraca is now the US Army Recruiter for the Presidio area. Anyone desiring information about the opportunities available in today's Army can contact him at 1475 Bush Street or call 673-2900.



The photographer who was selected for the best photo last week was Mr. John Green not John Cook. We apologize for the error.

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Reagan's hiring freeze thaws

If you've been considering a career as a federal civilian employee, now is the best time to make application, according to Alex Reyes, chief of Civilian Personnel at the Presidio. The "freeze" on the hiring of civilian employees for Department of Defense and the Army has been lifted.

A memo issued from the office of the Secretary of Defense, states that the Reagan administration has approved the hiring of civilians to "execute the approved 1981 defense program and to assure people do not suffer financial hardship due to the suspension of firm commitments made since Nov. 5, 1980."

The impact of this hiring "thaw" is already being felt at the Presidio civilian personnel office. Late last week contacts were being made and procedures reinitiated to actively recruit new employees.

The lifting of the hiring restrictions will immediately impact on those persons who were offered federal positions after November 5, but weren't on the federal payroll last month when the President imposed the freeze. The Army had requested exemptions for about 300 of those "frozen" on the basis of extreme hardship. Many of them had already sold their homes or quit their jobs in anticipation of new government jobs when the freeze was announced.

The latest administration action allows the Army to replace civilians leaving civil service with new workers and to hire workers from outside the Department of Defense (DoD). Under the freeze, the Army could hire no full-time or part-time workers. The freeze did not apply, however, to executive-level and non-career positions in the senior executive service.

"We have a variety of openings in all grades and job types at the Presidio," said Reyes. "Since we do have the authority to evaluate locally, this means people can make applications right within our office!"



Doug Garcia (right), and Ray Farrell, check Civilian Personnel's job referral list.

Photo by Tim Dewar

Reyes is also excited about another aspect of the revised hiring policy. "There is good reason to believe we will be able to increase our civilian strength. The positive signs that we will be allowed to exceed our 1981 hiring levels are present which means we will be able to staff positions and offices which have been critically short of

help."

A look at the Presidio job market reflects a need for individuals qualified in clerical skills. The personnel office will be conducting testing for these positions and interested persons can get more information by calling 561-5732 or stopping by the office's reception desk.

1 killed, 4 hurt in accidents

One person was killed and four others hospitalized in two accidents here this week and a Presidio soldier was arraigned on manslaughter charges stemming from an incident which occurred in San Francisco two weeks ago.

A 31-year-old resident of San Lorenzo was killed and three companions were hospitalized after their motorboat capsized off Point Bonita last Sunday.

A Coast Guard helicopter crew pulled the four men from rough water near the Golden Gate

Bridge and transported them to Letterman Army Medical Center. Doctors at LAMC worked for about an hour to resuscitate Rusty Pulsen before he was declared dead at 4:57 p.m.

The Coast Guard was alerted around 3 p.m. by a caller from the Point Bonita Light Station on the Marin headlands who reported that a boat had capsized. A helicopter was dispatched to the scene immediately.

The three survivors of the accident were transferred from Letterman to civilian hospitals for treatment of exposure.

An accident involving a stalled fork lift and a 10-speed bicycle on Saturday morning resulted in serious injury to Lt. Col. (Ret) Lee T. Waters, a resident of San Lorenzo.

MP traffic accident investigator, Sp4 Quinten Warren, reported that Waters was riding his bicycle west in the eastbound lane of Mason Street in the vicinity of building 1187 when he failed to notice the extended forks of a forklift which had stalled.

He was taken to Letterman Army Medical Center where he was admitted, suffering from a fractured nose and maxilla. He is listed in stable condition but is expected to remain hospitalized for several days in order to undergo oral surgery according to hospital spokesman, Sp5 Gene Hill.

Mary Mosley, a Presidio soldier, has been arrested and arraigned on charges of manslaughter by San Francisco Police, according to Police Department spokesman.

Mosley, who is assigned to Headquarters Company, US Army Garrison, surrendered herself to authorities on Monday.

According to the investigating officer, she allegedly shot and killed Peron Robinson, her landlord's son in the back yard of her residence, apparently believing him to be a prowler.

Mosely was freed on a \$15,000 jury bond. Her trial is scheduled for March 18.

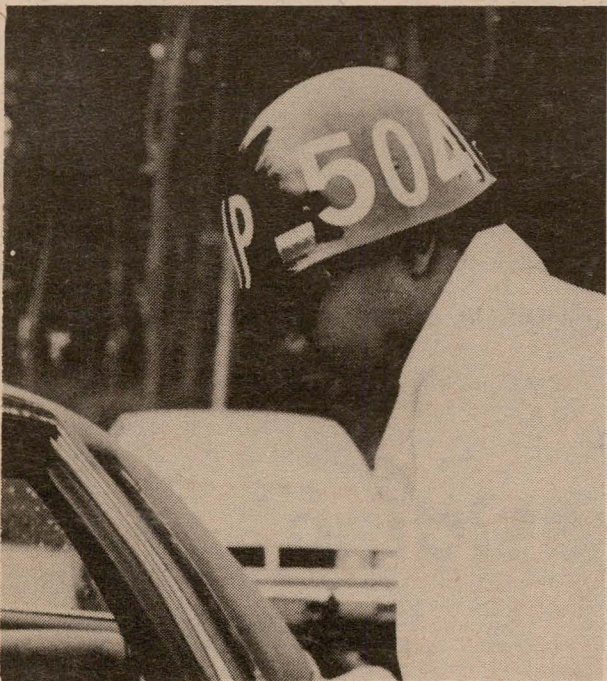


Photo by Tim Dewar

Safety flyers

PFC Bobby Cameron and other military policemen will be stopping cars at various points on post to distribute safety flyers.

Troop tidbits

Grey/Green shirts

If you're a soldier in the market for a grey/green shirt, the Post exchange won't be the place to go in the near future.

Beginning March 1, the Clothing Sales Store will be the place to buy the Shade 415 shirts. Sgt. Victor Flores of the PSF Clothing Sales Store reports that current supplies of the item have almost been exhausted and they now only have limited selections of the long-sleeved shirts.

He added, "There should be sufficient quantities on hand by the end of April or early in May." Prices will be \$4.25 and \$5.10.

Furlough discounts

A recent survey indicated that many military personnel are still not aware of the 50 percent discount military furlough fare currently being offered by 14 airlines.

The discounts are available to military personnel traveling at their own expense while on leave, or those who have been discharged and are completing travel within seven days after ETS. Transportation officials urge eligible personnel to take advantage of this important new benefit.

Bridge toll increase

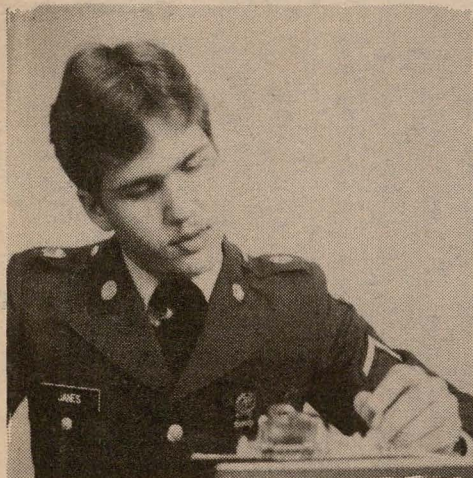
Presidio residents are reminded that effective this Sunday at 12:01 a.m., the toll for passenger vehicles on the Golden Gate Bridge will increase from \$1.00 to \$1.25.

Bridge convenience book tickets, purchased at the old rate, will continue to be honored at that rate through March 31. Beginning April 1, these tickets will still be accepted, however, 25¢ must accompany each ticket.

Opinion

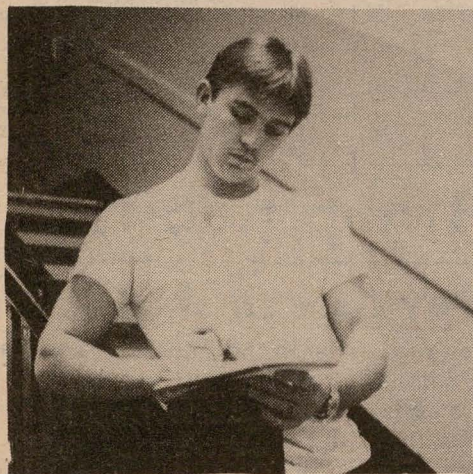
Ramblin' Sam

What should be done to stop violent crimes, and to the people who commit them?



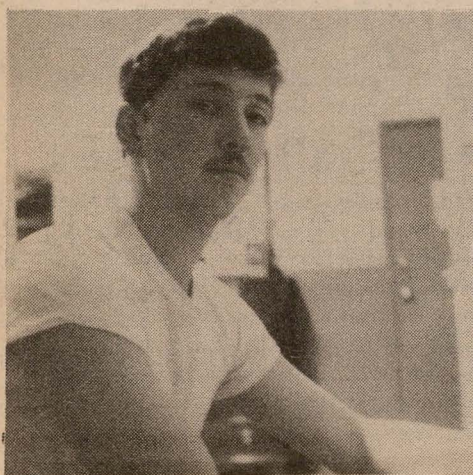
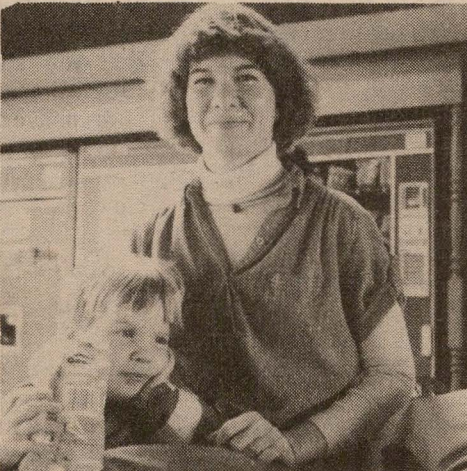
Pvt. 2 Dewayne Janes, Human Resources Development Division—"One of the better things to do is to increase the police patrols in the areas that are being hardest hit. We should also make the violator work his crime out, for the city or the victim, until the debt has been paid."

MSgt. William F. Thomas, Post Provost Sergeant—"I feel the punishments are not severe enough, and there should be some type of restitution made by the offender to the victim. In cases where the offenders cannot make restitution, there should be some type of victim pool. This could be accomplished by selling confiscated goods and using the money confiscated to provide the victims with some monetary relief."



Pvt. 2 Danny Butch Netherton, Mail and Distribution—"I think there should be more law enforcement simply because there is more crime and it is growing larger every day. I think the punishments could be stricter, because people wouldn't do it if they had to face strict punishments. We need capital punishment in today's society."

Beverly Volk, Dependent wife—"I think there should be mandatory sentences for particular crimes, and juveniles convicted of serious offenses should be tried as adults. I also don't think there should be parole for people convicted of serious crimes, they should serve the full sentence."



PFC Frank G. Baraby, HQ Co USAG—Longer sentences, bigger fines, less chance for parole, also more police patrols, and especially community involvement might all help.

Action Line

Reader questions the lack of PSF Army Museum female exhibits

Action Line

Touring the World War II exhibit on display at the Presidio Army Museum left me, at first disappointed, then deeply troubled.

It was during WWII, to be precise, May 14, 1942, that a milestone in U.S. Army military history was reached: The creation of the Womens Army Auxiliary corps. Despite the obvious significance of this event, the historians charged with preparing the displays at the Museum apparently did not find it necessary to accord more than a miniscule acknowledgement of the more than 350,000 women who served in the four services during WWII.

The women of California who participated in pioneering the WAAC, one of whom is employed in DCSFA, Sixth US Army, are not represented even tokenly among these displays.

I cannot help but to regard this as an outrageous lack of sensitivity on the part of our military historians for the contributions of women in times of national need-contributions which extend back to the earliest dawns of our nation and include active engagement in combat.

I recommend the display be modified to include the pioneer WAAC service woman of WWII and

mention the areas of service they covered. Also, discard the posters depicting women as sex objects, espionage agents, and helpless victims.

Jane E. Edwards

For a reply, we went to Eric Saul who is the director of the Presidio Army Museum.

"We are planning an exhibit for sometime next year which we will call, 'The American Woman Goes to War.'"

It will be a complete history of the American woman at war including the WASPS, the Women's Signal Corp Telephone Operators of World War I and the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps.

Hundreds and thousands of women who served will be saluted and it has never been done before, so we really feel that this will be an exciting exhibit.

We hope to present it after our go for broke exhibit is completed. We are also looking for contributors, any women on the Presidio that have uniforms or anything they think would be significant, we would like to use them.

We do realize our obligation to tell the history of all the groups who have served in the Army, unfortunately we don't have the money or space right now."

One-way sign needed on Liggett St.

Action Line

"I live on Liggett Avenue. It is a one-way street but there are no signs indicating this. There has been quite a lot of traffic coming from Letterman Army Hospital in the wrong direction."

"It is a potentially hazardous situation, since there are many children in this area playing outdoors. Also, it would be an improvement if signs could be placed at the

intersection of Liggett and Morton indicating right of way."

MSG Neal

We took your question to Lt. Burr of the traffic section at the provost marshal's office. He told us that a unit would be sent to investigate your complaint as soon as possible. If the situation you describe actually does exist, they will take the necessary action to get the signs put up.

Resident wants playgrounds protected

Action Line

A call was received from a resident of the Compton Road Housing area.

"There are a few small playgrounds in our neighborhood that are getting pretty beat up by outside groups who come on post to use them. Repairs have been made by residents but the playgrounds are still in bad shape. Would it be possible for someone to put up a sign saying that these playgrounds are only for the use of residents?"

Name withheld

We contacted Mr. Brown at the Directorate of Facilities Engineers and related your problem to him. He told us that if the Family Housing Office would request it, the sign would be installed.

Nelly Bennetto, Family Housing Officer, agreed with you that a sign should be put up and told us that a request would be sent to the engineers that same day to get it done. Bennetto said that the sign will read, 'For Presidio Residents Only.' Hopefully, your sign should be in place within a few days.

If you have a problem, suggestion or complaint, call our Action Line at 561-5463. If you do not wish to have your name published, please indicate so in your taped message.

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Maj. Gen. Floyd W. Baker (2nd from right) listens to Dr. (Maj.) Dharmendra Kumar explain the capabilities of the LAMC's newest piece of equip-

ment, a computerized "cat scanner." Baker passes the reigns to Brig. Gen. William P. Winkler in Letterman change of command ceremonies tomorrow

at 2 p.m. Baker is headed for Europe where he will take charge of the 7th Medical Command in Heidelberg, Germany.

Baker to depart LAMC for Germany

by Jon Chelgren

Maj. Gen. Floyd W. Baker will end more than two and a half years at the helm of Letterman Army Medical Center in change of command ceremonies at the hospital tomorrow at 2 p.m.

Baker, who is heading to Germany to take charge of the 7th Medical Command, will pass the LAMC colors to Brig. Gen. William P. Winkler during those ceremonies.

When asked to name his greatest contribution to patients during his tenure, Baker replied, "I would hope our patients get the feeling that they are recognized as people who have problems and that the staff of Letterman is interested in helping them with those problems."

Terming his time at Letterman "extremely gratifying," the Leavenworth, Kan., native said he has been able to accomplish one of his major goals.

"When I came, the image of Letterman in the Army medical community was not the best," he explained. "We were under the gun for closure and that created a lot of turmoil. One of my goals at

that time was to try to change that image and make us recognized as the outstanding medical center that I thought we were."

"I think that has been accomplished (based) on the feedback I get," he added.

A number of new programs were started at LAMC while Baker was in charge. One, an annual training cycle for hospital personnel in common soldier tasks was developed to meet Health Services Command training requirements.

"It is extremely difficult to accomplish that (training) in an organization such as a medical center," Baker said. "We're a large organization, we're separated from any type of field units and it's difficult to get people away from their jobs where they're involved with patient care. We just took the bull by the horns and decided to do what we could... and it's worked out extremely well."

Another program just started is the "Transition to Practice Seminar" for graduating physicians. Those sessions take doctors who are completing specialty medical training at Letterman and give

them other training to meet the general requirements of their future assignments.

According to Baker his nearly 28 year career was something he never planned for. "When I initially came in I had no intention of selecting the Army as a career," he said. "I came in for one year. I was going to take my internship and get out. Then I stayed for my residence training in general surgery with the idea of getting that, completing the pay back time and getting out. But by the time I completed that I was beginning to enjoy what I was doing... and Army life. It sort of came about a little at a time."

Baker, a 1953 graduate of the University of Kansas Medical School, completed his internship at Madigan General Hospital in Tacoma, Wash., in 1954 and later completed his residency at Fitzsimons General Hospital in Denver, Colo., in 1959. He has served in a variety of assignments including overseas tours of duty in Vietnam and Europe.

He was promoted to his present rank in May.

Post motorists to receive traffic warning from MPs

A post military vehicle which was reportedly driven by an unlicensed driver, went out of control and left the road near the Washington Blvd., Arguello St. Intersection last week. Military Police, in an effort to reduce traffic accidents began a stepped up safety campaign on post this week. According to Dep. Provost Marshal Maj. Robert Meybin, the first phase will be educational and then patrols will crack down hard on offenders.

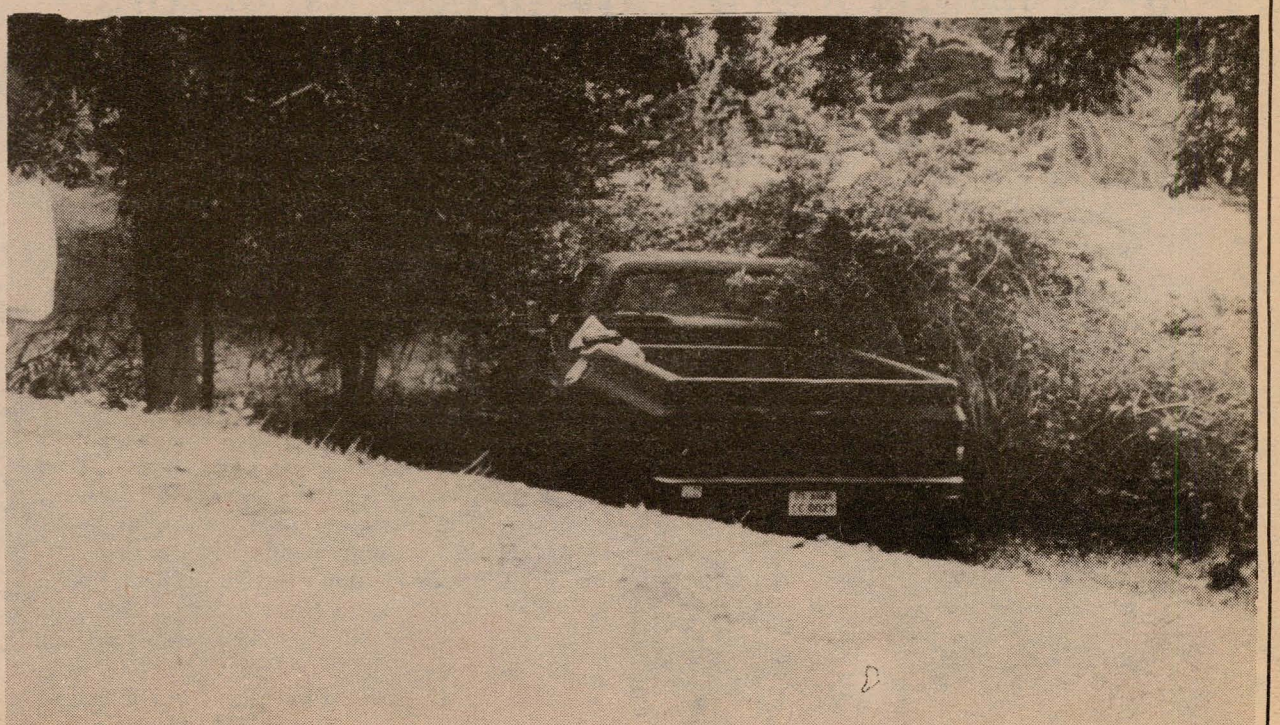


Photo by Tim Dewar



SP6 Bennie Shonowo checks Ronald Cuchenberry's blood pressure.

Photo by Tim Dewar

Events fete Black History

by Tim Dewar

In celebration of Black History Month, three events involving Presidio personnel were held in the Bay area last week, two on the Presidio.

The events, sponsored by the Human Resources Division, in conjunction with the Presidio Black History Committee, featured speeches and music from different points in the history of the black experience in America.

"The overall objective of the program in keeping with the black history month theme, A Role Model For Youth, is to share and make aware of black contributions to what we call the United States," said Sgt. Ronald Dyson of the Human Resources Development Division.

A third event was co-sponsored by several local officers and the San Francisco African American Society. It was held at the Societies Building on McAllister Street and included speeches from five LAMC doctors covering health related topics.

Booths were set up to answer questions concerning hypertension, oral hygiene, legal counseling, advice for students on college curriculums and careers, alcoholism prevention and alcohol induced diseases, black related diseases, and counseling on childhood diseases and immunizations.

"Throughout the day we screened about 103 people, only eight had high blood pressure," said Maj. James McKoy of LAMC, who was chairman of the event. "The turnout could have been better, but the people who showed up, are now more aware of their health," he added.

All three events were held as part of Black History Month which is set aside to recognize the achievements and accomplishments of the black people.



Entertainment at LAIR event

Photo by John Green

Navy drug and alcohol abuse prevention course needs more bay area instructors



NASAP facilitators congratulate a recent graduate

Photo by Tim Dewar

The Navy Alcohol Safety Action Program NASAP, a very popular and successful program which was designed for the Navy by the University of West Florida, needs volunteers to become facilitators.

It is a 36 hour course dealing not only with alcohol and drug abuse, but also personal values and attitudes. The Navy has found the course to be excellent training for supervisors. It is open to all active duty military and their dependents, retired military and DoD Civilians.

People are needed to facilitate the NASAP program at various locations in the bay area. Classes are normally presented at night but are often held during the daytime as well. They are especially looking for people who could teach classes during the day.

Volunteers need not have any special prior training, but should enjoy working with people and have healthy attitudes about alcohol and drug use.

If you are interested in taking the course or becoming a facilitator, call the San Francisco NASAP office at 869-3067.

Local news

Brig. Gen. (Ret.) Whiting suffers fatal heart attack

Funeral services were held on Friday in San Mateo for Brig. Gen. (Ret.) John Estes Whiting who died last week at Mills Memorial Hospital after a brief illness. He was 63.

Whiting, a native of Antigo, Wis., was commissioned a second lieutenant in 1939 after graduating from the University of Arkansas. He served in the European Theater as company commander with the 9th Infantry Division during World War II.

After the war he served as chief economist with the U.S. Allied Commission for Austria. His decorations included the Bronze Star, Legion of Merit, Purple Heart, and Combat Infantryman's Badge.

Whiting was the first general officer to command the 351st Civil Affairs Command in Mountain View. He assumed command of that reserve unit in 1967 and served there until his retirement in 1971.

In civilian life, Whiting was a self-employed economist. He was a past president of the Palo Alto Reserve Officers Association and was national director of the Military Government Association.

The general is survived by his wife, Elizabeth, two daughters, Lynne Whiting of Laytonville and Lisbeth Anne Whiting of Santa Cruz; a son, John Whiting of Arcadia; and a sister, Carrie Belle Barbee of Dallas, Tex.

WWII's most decorated unit to be honored here

The men who earned more than 18,000 individual decorations in combat during WWII will gather at the Presidio Army Museum March 7 to dedicate the most extensive exhibit ever compiled on the 442nd Regimental Combat Team.

More than 500 Japanese-American veterans of the 442nd will honor their fellow soldiers and friends who served in the nation's most highly decorated unit.

Highlighting the 1 p.m. ceremonies will be two of the unit's distinguished alumni, U. S. Senators Daniel Inouye and Spark Matsunaga of Hawaii. During action in Italy and France, Inouye was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross while Matsunaga earned the Silver Star.

The gathering, which marks the largest reunion of the "Go For Broke" veterans on the mainland, will draw attendance from throughout the nation.

The public is invited to attend the ceremonies to be held outside the museum at the corner of Lincoln and Funston Avenues.

School registration set

Parents of children in the kindergarten or first grade who will be entering San Francisco public schools for the first time can be registered beginning March 2 through June 2.

School district personnel will be available at each elementary school during the 14-week period.

In order to be eligible to attend school next year, kindergarten children must have been born on or before December 2, 1976. They must be at least four years and nine months of age as of September 1981.

First grade children must have been born on or before December 2, 1975 or at least five years and nine months old.

Proof of birth in the form of a birth certificate, hospital record or baptismal certificate is required. If none of these are available, an affidavit of the child's date and place of birth by the parent or guardian will be accepted.

Children must also be immunized and proof of immunization against Measles, Polymyelitis, Rubella, Mumps and DPT must be provided.

The Sherman Elementary School located at 1651 Union Street is now accepting applications for enrollment by Presidio dependents in grades kindergarten through five.

In the past, requests from PSF residents to send their children to Sherman have been denied because of district boundary rules. However, the chances are now more favorable due to a recent change, according to the principal of the school.

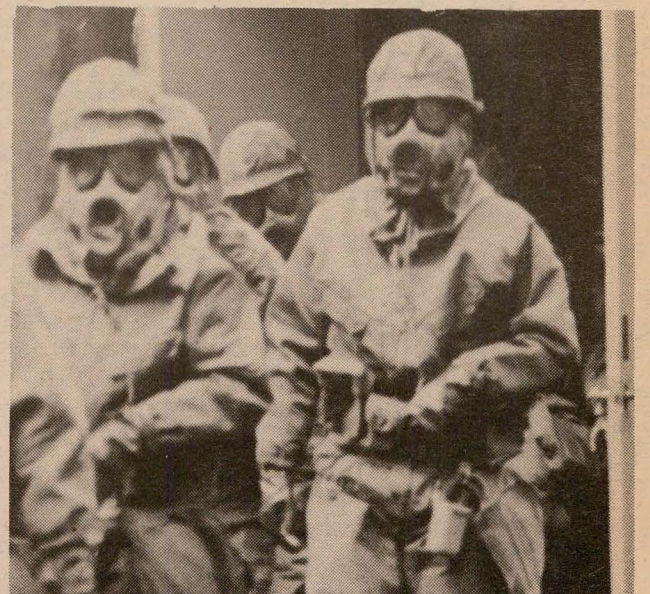
For information about school attendance areas contact Army Community Service at 561-5057 or 5156.



A soldier checks his mask before the NBC proficiency test.



A Co. D. Engineer puts on protective mask.



Engineers emerge from gas chamber exercise.

Engineer unit MOPPS up during NBC unit proficiency exercise

Story and photos by Tim Dewar

For the first time, 153 men from Co. D, 864th Engineer Battalion successfully completed the Army's N. B. C. unit proficiency test, while wearing complete Mission Oriented Protective Posture (MOPP) suits.

It was the unit's first attempt to negotiate the difficult test while wearing the new equipment.

Training NCO, Sfc Charles L. Pendry commented, "Wearing the MOPP suits, which weigh five or six pounds did not hamper the ability of individuals to negotiate the maneuvers required by this test."

Pendry explained that the results on the test were comparable to those achieved during similar testing without the added gear.

He added, "They were required to wear the suits for three to four hours and the only problem reported was some heavy perspiration."

Some of the stations covered in the NBC test are: M17A1 Mask inspection and masking exercise, drinking in a contaminated environment, taking action in a spray attack, first aid procedures for nerve and blood agents, use of the various decontamination kits, and the gas chamber exercise.



Soldiers practiced first aid while wearing MOPP suits.

Time to spare

Seal watching tour still open

The recreation center has 16 seats left for the bus trip to **Ano Nuevo State Reserve** to watch elephant seals. These unique tours, sponsored by the state park system, have been sold out since last October.

The deluxe chartered motorcoach will depart from the recreation center at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, March 8. Price for the trip is \$10 and anyone who would like more information should call the recreation center at ext. 2000.

Classes in the art of **Belly Dancing** are being offered at the center every Wednesday at 8 p.m. **Tap Dancing** lessons are available on Tuesdays at 8 p.m. The cost is \$15.00 for four classes.

The **"Canterbury Tales,"** Chaucer's classic work adapted for young audiences by Bernice Bronson, will be performed Saturday and Sunday at noon and 2:00 p.m. in the Studio Theater at San Francisco State University.

The production includes three popular tales tuned to the world of children; the Canon's Yeoman, a tale of the alchemist who gets rich turning other people's gold into his own pockets; The Pardoner, a chilling little parable about the wages of sin; and the Nun's Priest, a sunny barnyard fable about Chanticleer, the cock, Pertelote, the hen, and their arch enemy, the fox. Children will participate.

It is recommended for children between the ages of seven through elementary school. Tickets are \$3 general admission, and \$1.50 for children, students and senior citizens. For reservations call the box office at 469-2467.

The American Conservatory Theater at 450 Geary Street will present **"Another Part of the Forest"** by Lillian Hellman tomorrow and the final presentation of Shakespeare's **"Much Ado About Nothing"** on Saturday. Curtain times for both performances is 8:30 p.m. for tickets call 673-6440.

"The Apple Tree," a musical by Jerry Bock and Sheldon Harnick opens Friday at the Presidio Playhouse. Curtain time is 7 p.m. For information call 561-3992.

The College of Marin presents **"Pirates of Penzance"** by the department of theater arts and music on Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and on Sunday at 7 p.m. at the campus Fine Arts Theater. For reservations call 485-9385.

The **University Symphony**, conducted by Michael Senturia and Tamar Diesendruck will perform Shubert's Symphony No. four, Schumann's Concertstueck for Four Horns, and Wagner's Siegfried Idyll at Hertz Hall, UC Berkeley. The performance is scheduled for 8 p.m. tonight and tomorrow.

Soprano, Helen Boatwright and violinist, Howard Boatwright will give a performance of the works of Vaughn Williams, Villa-Lobos, Hovhaness, and Boatwright tomorrow night at 8 p.m. in Knuth Hall, San Francisco State University.

The story is old, but the perspective is up-dated and brought into sharp focus by the film **THE GOSPEL ROAD** to be shown on Sunday, March 15 at the Fort Scott Chapel. The showing will begin at 7 p.m.

THE GOSPEL ROAD, distributed by World Wide Pictures, was conceived and produced by Johnny Cash and his wife, June Carter Cash, whose desire was to tell the story of Jesus Christ in a realistic and meaningful way.

The film is a unique blend of scripture-based narrative, an abundant supply of specially written



Photo by K. Juber

Bargains galore

There are many flea markets in the Bay Area such as this one which is located in Sausalito, offering shoppers the opportunity to shop for many differnt items at bargain prices.

songs, and a series of in-depth character portrayals, with Israel itself as the mixing bowl.

You are there, walking beside the Jordan and the Sea of Galilee; you are there, seeing Him in many human situations that establish a practical and personal rapport with every viewer.

You are there, being introduced to the disciples, and gaining insights into their varied personalities. You are there, experiencing the highly charged emotional impact of the trial before Pilate, and becoming so personally involved that you feel sympathetic pain when Robert Elfstrom,

in an outstanding portrayal of Christ, suffers the physical attack that precedes the Crucifixion.

Adding to the effectiveness of **THE GOSPEL ROAD** in its endeavor to convey reality for this day are: the fascinating treatment of the Crucifixion, making this tragedy an event of significance that reaches from its own time across the years to take on meaning for all men of all ages; and the songs and background music of Johnny Cash and other outstanding musicians, whose contemporary style is not out of keeping with the story... a story that reveals that His darkest day has become our brightest.

Presidio movie scene and flick preview

Presidio Theater

Feb. 28 Great Balloon Adventure (G)	2 p.m.
Feb. 28 The Eagle's Wing (PG)	7 p.m.
Mar. 1 Popeye (G)	7 p.m.
Mar. 2 Popeye (G)	7 p.m.
Mar. 3 American Gigolo (R)	7 p.m.
Mar. 4 High Anxiety (PG)	7 p.m.
Mar. 5 Divine Madness (R)	7 p.m.
Mar. 6 Divine Madness (R)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Mar. 2 Caboblanco (R)	7 p.m.
Mar. 3 The Eagle's Wing (PG)	7 p.m.
Mar. 4 Popeye (PG)	7 p.m.
Mar. 5 American Gigolo (R)	7 p.m.
Mar. 6 High Anxiety (PG)	7 p.m.

Presidio Preview

POPEYE, the action-filled musical comedy version of one of the world's most beloved comic strip stars Robin Williams of (TV's Mork and Mindy) as the spinach gulping sea goby, and Shelly Duvall as Olive Oyl. Some profanity may not be suitable for young children.

Sports



Phyllis Singleton scores over a McClellan defender.

Photo by Bill Craig

Post teams top McClellan

by Karl Gaffney

In post level action over the weekend, both Presidio teams defeated McClellan Air Force Base here, with the Women winning in a blow out 88-42 and the Men winning in a shootout 81-80.

In the Women's game, the Presidians totally outmanned and outclassed a hapless McClellan team, by applying relentless man-to-man defense, and by pushing the ball upcourt at every possible opportunity. In this game, the Presidians played as if they could not do anything wrong and, to drive the point home, they even made a full court

shot at the buzzer of the first half. The Presidians were lead by **Phyllis Singleton-27**, **Donna Cleville-25** and **Marilyn Johnson-18**.

In the Men's game, both teams forgot that defense is an important ingredient for winning basketball games, which allowed them to score at will. The deciding two points came from **James Jacobs**, who was hot all night, in the closing seconds of the game. The Presidians were lead by **Duane Gibson-25**, **James Jacobs-22** and **Antho Braddy-16**.

LAMC doctors take post title from USAG

Last week's Post Championship Tournament could not have concluded any more spectacularly than it did, with the Doctor's from LAMC overcoming HQS, USAG, in double overtime, 79-76.

USAG guards, **Henry Dillard** and **Raymond Watts**, steals and fast breaking gave Garrison a 16-4 lead early in the game, but the Doctors well balanced team kept on playing a steady game, to close the gap to 29-27 at half time.

In the second half, Garrison's only two big men, **Dan Jackson** and **Michael Coatney**, fouled out at about the same time, leaving Garrison without rebounding strength.

Jim Oxley, former All-Army player, controlled the ball for the Doctors, setting up some key plays with his big men, **Jim Sutherland** and **Steve Ramee**.

The game provided plenty of excitement and intensity, not simply because it was for the championship, but also, because both teams had met previously in the first round of the tournament, with the Doctors edging out USAG, 43-42.

The teams played nip and tuck throughout the game, with the Doctors eventually gaining the upper hand, in the final overtime, by holding on to a slight lead for the final victory of the season. The telling difference came from the Doctors' ability to generate from their patterned offense, a team effort in the scoring columns, while Garrison relied primarily on two shooters.

The Doctors were lead by **Jim Southerland-23** and **Steve Ramee-18**. HQS, USAG were lead by **Henry Dillard-25** and **Raymond Watts-28**.

Sports shorts

V-ball clinic set

The Sports Branch will be conducting the 1981 post intramural volleyball league, commencing on or about March 16. A volleyball clinic will be conducted for players, coaches, managers, and officials beginning at 3 p.m., March 16, at the main gym, Bldg. 63. For further information contact Jim Ragasa at ext. 2070.

Golfers take note

The Sports Branch will begin the 1981 Intramural Golf competition, commencing on March 19. All matches will be played at the Presidio Golf Club on dates and times to be announced. A golf clinic will be held at the first tee for all competitors at noon on March 19. Golf clubs may be rented at the Outdoor Recreation Branch, Bldg. 92. For further information, contact Jim Ragasa at ext. 2070.

Baseball players

All interested military personnel are invited to sign up for the 1981 men's post level baseball team. The team will be competing against other local military bases this Spring. An experienced coach is also needed to guide the team. For information, contact Tauaese Tauaese at Gym 2, Bldg. 1152, ext. 5051.

DYA baseball sign-up

Registration for DYA baseball will be held on the 14th and 15th of March at Post Gym 1, building 63, between 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Fees will be \$3.50 for one child and \$6.00 per family. Proof of birth must be presented at time of registration (birth certificate only). The program is open to boys and girls between the ages of 7 thru 14. Tryouts will be held March 21 at Pop Hicks field. Ages and tryout times are as follows:

AGE GROUP	TRY OUT TIMES
7-10	0900-1200
11-12	1300-1400
13-14	1400-1500

Coaches wanted

For coaches, there will be a meeting on March 2 at 4 p.m. at Post Gym No. 1.

Anyone wishing and qualified to umpire or coach DYA baseball, please contact Mr. Karl Gaffney at ext 5032/4120.

Quakes take first loss

by Roko J. Smiljanic

The Presidio Earthquakes lost their first game of the second half, losing to the Viking Conquerors 5 to 1 at Lowell High School off Eucalyptus and Meadowbrook in the city.

Due to key injuries, the quakes played without Center Robbie McAuley and Goalie Kevin Bruhn. The Conquerors kept pressure on the defense most of the day scoring two quick goals. The Quakes only goal was scored by Brian Dixon to make the score 2 to 1. Goalie Ernie Boatner had a busy day, stopping a lot of shots on goal, but couldn't stop them all. The Conquerors added 3 goals in the second half to put the game on ice.

Presidio News Notes

Monthly luncheon

The March monthly cultural luncheon sponsored by the Equal Opportunity office is set for March 10. The cuisine featured is Armenian. A 15 per cent discount will be taken off the following menu:

Shish Kebob: Served with saffron rice . . \$5.95

Orient Express: Aram Sandwich of roast beef, chopped olives, smoked salmon and cream cheese; Quiche and fresh fruit garnish \$4.75

Meza: (cold dish) Different flavors of the Middle East are offered in an assortment of appetizers, such as Bab Ghanoush (eggplant) Hummos (chickpeas), Dolmas (stuffed grapeleaves), Feta cheese and Black Olives, and an Aram Sandwich \$4.75

There are seats for 40 people and the restaurant is located 10 minutes from post. When making your reservation, please indicate your choice from the above menu.

The free bus departs from the main bus stop (across from bank) at 11:40 a.m. and should return at 1:00 p.m. A group discount is offered and reservations or additional information may be obtained by calling the EO Office at 561-3701/5730/4602.

Tea for Mrs. Baker

Mrs. Floyd Baker will be honored at a farewell tea given by the Letterman Women's Club on Feb. 26. Members are invited to come and say good-bye to "Dolly" who will be departing the Presidio the end of February to accompany her husband, Maj. Gen. Floyd Baker to Heidelberg, Germany. The tea will be held at 1001-B O'Reilly Ave. from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. Reservations are not necessary.

At the NCO Club

Featured on March 16 is Ladies' Night with seven dancers. Do not forget Country and Western Night on Fridays with live bands. We are now serving lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., prepared by our one and only Chef, "The Rock".

Join the urban cowboys at the NCO Club for the all new Country and Western Nights program on Friday nights. "Rowdy and the Rivets" will be entertaining you on March 20 and the "The Red Ryder" on March 27. Bands play from 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Don't forget the Boss Night on Feb. 27, 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Take your boss out to the club. Starting March 2, the club will be open for lunch on Mondays, mark your calendar.

King crab feast

CHEF JOHN is at the helm again to offer you another night of **Alaskan King Crab Feast**. Make sure you make reservations for this bountiful repast. It will be held on Wednesday, March 11.

Speed reading offered

The Community College Center will be offering a Speed Reading course at the Ft. Scott Education Center, Building 1216, March 31 through May 19 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday nights.

Students will learn to read words in groups, not individually; read for ideas, not words; sight down the page, line by line, instead by word by word;; comprehend effectively; and speed read newspapers, magazines, textbooks. Upon completion of the course, with proper practice, students should notice a significant increase in reading speed with good comprehension.

The course is free to military, dependents and DA civilians. For further information, or to sign up for the course, call ext. 2974/4445.

R.O.A. to meet

"Your Navy Rebate to the Shareholders" will be the subject addressed by R/Adm Russell W. Gorman, USNR, at the March 5 meeting of Chapter 6, Reserve Officers Association. Officers (past and present) of all services are welcome to attend. Hospitality Hour is at 6:30 p.m. at the Presidio Officers' Club. Dinner is scheduled for 7:30 p.m.

Send reservations (\$8.00) to Col. Angus Loop, Jr., 6401 Melville Drive, Oakland, CA. 94611. Please make checks payable to "R. O. A."



A study in contrast

SSgt Harvey Kinoshita's photo of the Golden Gate Bridge won the Photo of the Week honors. We are still accepting entries in Room 216, Bldg. 37.

College credit

The 1980 American Council on Education (ACE) Guide has college credit recommendations for numerous military correspondence courses provide formal servicewide training and use proctored end-of-course examinations.

If you have taken any military correspondence courses and would like to find out if they are good for college credit, visit the Ft. Scott Education Center, Building 1216, or the Letterman Army Medical Center Education Center, Building 1007, to see how many college credits are recommended for your correspondence course.

OWC art auction

The Presidio Officers' Wives Club will present an art auction on Friday, March 6, at the Presidio Officers' Club. The preview is from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. and the auction starts at 8:00. Admission is free and open to all military personnel. An original oil painting will be given as a door prize.

OWC Club luncheon

The Presidio Officers' Wives Club luncheon will be March 5, at the Presidio Officers' Club. Social Hour begins at 11:30 and lunch is at noon. The deadline for reservations or cancellations is noon, Monday, March 2. To make your reservations call Jan Lape at 561-4343 or Nancy Svendsen at 561-2955.

Clinics closing

All clinics at Letterman Army hospital will be closed on March 13 due to a training holiday. The Emergency Room will be open as usual.

Patient education

Letterman's Social Work Service will sponsor a nine-week Patient Education program for those 55 and over. Focus will be patient participation in preventive medicine and promotion of better health amongst outpatients.

The program will begin on Wednesday, March 4 and continue each Wednesday through April 29. Location is Room AS3209 in the Letterman Army Institute of Research (LAIR), from 10 to 11:30 a.m. There are no fees.

Health professionals from LAMC will be giving lectures/demonstrations, and discuss with participants on health issues that are of concern to them.

Handmade items

The Creative Cottage is looking for new handmade items to sell.

The shop is co-managed by the Letterman Wives Club and the Presidio Officers' Wives Club. Profits from the store are used to improve life on the Presidio.

Any military personnel, their dependents, retirees, or civilian employees can consign handmade items.

If you're interested, stop in Bldg. 558 any Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday between 11 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. or between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. on the first Saturday of the month.

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Routine traffic stop ends in \$100,000 cocaine find

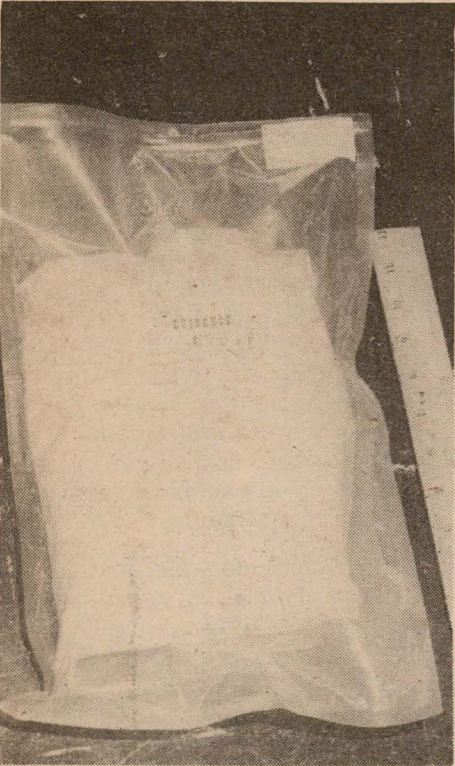


Photo by Bill Craig

What started out to be a routine traffic stop for minor violations turned into a high-speed chase and an unexpected recovery of cocaine here Monday night.

Cpl. Christopher Walker, 504th MP Bn was on patrol near Lincoln Blvd. and Pershing Drive when he observed a car driving left of the center line with one headlight out.

Walker made a routine stop of the vehicle, a 1969 burgandy and brown Pontiac with two people inside. As the military policeman began to make identification of the vehicle's license plates, the driver fled the scene. The high-speed pursuit resulted down Lincoln Blvd. with speeds in excess of 60 miles-per-hour.

As the fleeing vehicle passed the Reserve Center in the vicinity of the 25th Avenue gate, Walker observed a parcel being thrown from the car. The suspects were able to elude police in the Seacliff area, just off the Presidio.

A search of the area just inside the post turned up the parcel containing

a substance suspected to be cocaine. Analysis later confirmed that it was cocaine. The street value of the cocaine, reported to be approximately 1 kilo or 2.2 pounds, is estimated at \$100,000.

Widely circulated news reports have claimed that the recovered cocaine is "99% pure." Law enforcement authorities on the Presidio were unable to confirm this as no analysis was made to determine the purity.

The suspects remain free at this time and the cocaine has been turned over to the Drug Enforcement Administration for further analysis and investigation.

A CID spokesman indicated that it was doubtful that the drug was targeted for the Presidio. Because it had not been broken down into packages yet. Agents believe that the suspects were probably just passing through the post on their way to prepare it for street sale, and unfortunately for them, forgot to obey Presidio traffic laws.

Army update Presidio run

On Friday morning at 7 a.m., the first Sri Chinmoy-Presidio 2-mile run will be held. The race will start at the extreme eastern boundary of the Golden Gate Promenade (as it joins Marina Green and St. Francis Yacht Club, north of the Marina Blvd. entrance). The route of the race will be west on the promenade to the Coast Guard station and return.

The Sri Chinmoy Running Club of San Francisco is holding the race to honor the men and women of the Presidio. It is their way of saluting the Army and its contribution to our nation. Also, it is a way to recognize "how fitness contributes significantly to the character and spiritual development of everyone."

The club will provide a free, light breakfast to all those taking part as well as prizes for certain categories. Mainly, the purpose of the run is to get as many Presidians out as possible to exercise and enjoy the beauty of the installation. Running Magazine will be covering the event for its next publication. Parking will be in the commissary lot prior to 7 a.m.

ROTC info

Active duty personnel interested in the active duty ROTC scholarship program are invited to attend a meeting reference those scholarships on Monday, at 7 p.m. in the Presidio Education Center conducted by the San Francisco Area ROTC program.

They will additionally be discussing financial assistance and programs available to separating service members planning to attend college in the San Francisco area next fall.

For more information and to find out if you qualify, contact CPT Forester at 561-6284.

Metered mail

A new postage metering mail system went into effect here this week. It is intended to provide positive official mail accountability by using postage meter tapes and mailing permits.

Under the new system, all units bring their outgoing accountable mail to AG Postal for weighing and rating. After this is completed, the unit delivers its mail to the Presidio Branch Post Office. The Post Office will no longer accept any official mail which has not been properly rated by AG Postal or the Sixth Army mailroom.

Units dispatching outgoing accountable mail must provide AG Postal with a copy of an exception to policy and a copy of the requirement from the regulation before any mail is accepted as accountable mail. If it does not meet the criteria established in AR-340-3, paragraph 5, chapter 3, it will only be accepted as ordinary official mail.

Two arrested for drugs here

Two cases involving possession of marijuana and a third involving larceny were reported by the post MP's last week.

A juvenile civilian was cited by the MPs Sunday after finding an open beer bottle and a yellow bag containing suspected marijuana in the suspect's car during a routine traffic stop.

A field test conducted by a military police investigator on the substance confirmed it to be marijuana.

The suspect was charged with entry for unlawful purposes, posses-

sion of marijuana, possessing an open container of alcohol in his vehicle and defective lighting equipment on his automobile.

The second case, also involving a civilian, Jose A. Alvarado, occurred at Baker Beach, Sunday, at 2:42 a.m. and also involved possession of marijuana.

Military policemen detected the smell of burning marijuana while walking in the area of Alvarado's van, according to MP reports. Upon approaching the vehicle, the MPs noticed a clear plastic bag containing

suspected marijuana in plain sight. Further investigation showed Alvarado to also be in possession of a yellow booklet containing suspected marijuana and two smoking devices containing suspected marijuana residue. A field test yielded positive results.

The third case reported by the MPs was a theft of private property on either Feb. 27 or 28. A person or person unknown entered building 213 and stole a wallet containing \$140, a military identification card and miscellaneous papers.

Pictorial salute to honor 442nd

The men who earned more than 18,000 individual decorations in combat during WWII will gather at the Presidio Army Museum March 7 to dedicate the most extensive exhibit ever compiled on the 442nd Regimental Combat Team.

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The public is invited to attend the ceremonies to be held outside the museum at the corner of Lincoln and Funston Avenues.

(See related items
on pages two,
four and five.)



One of the pictures from the exhibit at the Presidio Army Museum.

Opinion

Ramblin' Sam

Do you feel Army wives clubs serve a useful purpose in todays society?

Ray Mishler, ID card Receptionist—"Yes, they sponsor a lot of worthwhile activities. They are always bringing posters into the store advertising an activity. They serve as a bond between military wives."



Ernest Anderson, Commissary Bagger—"Yes, I would say so. I think they serve a useful purpose, and are fun too. They are especially important to the younger wives. Back when I was in the Army, the wives clubs were almost on absolute necessity. Today there is more of a choice, but they are still necessary."

Mrs. Donald W. Roberts—"Definitely, they do an awful lot of work for the children, and I think it's important because it gives them a chance to get to know each other."



Prudence Caldwell, retired—"Yes, I think it's a very good thing to have a spirit of comradeship. I know when I was on active duty they certainly were a very worthwhile organization."

Ann Maillard—"I would say yes. I belong to one. I feel the military family is different from their civilian counterparts. And I think it is good for them to get to know each other. The Wives' Club offers a good chance to do this."



During World War II

Japanese American soldiers earned America's respect

by K. Douglas Cook

When taken to the very extreme, it could be claimed that there is no such person as a "Native North American!" According to scientific sociologists, even the American Indian is an early immigrant to the United States landmass.

Being a native or an immigrant to this country should be an academic question. Certainly anyone born in this country of parents who intend to make America their home should be a native. Whether the parents are native born, immigrants or, illegal aliens, the case can be made that offspring are, in fact, residents and citizens of this land.

At the beginning of this century groups of people from an ancient and proud land came to America. True, they may not have been the stereotypical blue eyed, rosy cheeked, light-skinned variety of person, but they were human beings. Their native tongue may not have been Slavic or Romance, but it worked just as well and was just as old.

The first arrivals from Japan called themselves "issei" or "first generation" Americans. History books have painted them with the same coarse and error-riddled brush that has been used on the American black. The children of these Japanese immigrants were native born Americans. This second generation or "Nisei," endured a cruel period in our history.

In 1941 these Americans, especially those living in the western portion of the United States, were rounded up, arrested and placed in camps just after the infamous attack by Imperial Japan on Pearl Harbor. Some inane individuals called this a "protective confinement" measure!

Even the most marginally rational person would, upon seeing these "camps," have reason to call them exactly what they were—prisons! Armed guards, barbed wire, controlled movements, head counts—prisons and nothing less!

Add to this the fact that these Americans, naturalized citizens and native born people, had their homes, personal possessions and savings, in many cases, taken from them never to be returned.

It would be understandable if these Americans were to remain bitter. If such a wholesale roundup of citizens occurred today, it would be

cause for a citizen's revolt. Yet, with few exceptions, these Issei and Nisei tried desperately to understand why it happened. Why they were made to sleep, initially, in stables and barns, in fairgrounds and stock yards. Why they were the target of hate and vengeance.

This Saturday the Presidio Museum will open a year-long exhibit reflecting the valor and sacrifice of the "GO FOR BROKE," 442 Regimental Combat Team of WW II. This unit, the most decorated unit in the war, was and remains unique. It was almost entirely composed of nisei, many of whom had volunteered from their confinement camps.

The Americans who populated this unit had more than just a battle to win against the Axis powers in Europe. They were fighting to prove their loyalty, their right to be called Americans, despite their outward appearances.

Any American Army unit would be proud to claim the accomplishments of the 442nd! These soldiers, in today's slang, flat took it to the enemy and burned them down. They were as hardcore as any unit ever assembled by the Army! They didn't retreat, they didn't slack off, they didn't ask for the easy missions! They fought right down to the last man and he would go right on fighting until the job was done.

As you walk through the 442nd's exhibit, and we strongly suggest you take the time to do this, try to keep in mind that these soldiers' parents were still, in some cases, in prison back home. Keep in mind that these were only semi-Americans back home despite their birth. Keep in mind that these soldiers would come home to find their property and money gone.

We can't change history. This country intentionally and wrongfully deprived Americans of their birthright. We should remember this shameful act and never allow it to happen again. More important, it's time to honor the soldiers of the 442nd and the families who supported them. If you believe in the phrase "All men are created equal and endowed by their creator with certain inalienable rights," then you will understand just how great are the accomplishments of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team.

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Take my stereo please. .

by Bill Craig

Victims of larceny on the Presidio have been encouraging thieves to steal their property.

MP statistics show that an average of 37 larcenies occur on the post each month. Possibly more than half of these cases would not have occurred, "if the victim had not left the item in a place which tempted someone to steal it," says MSgt. William F. Thomas of the provost marshal office.

"What usually happens is that a person becomes careless, maybe because he is in a hurry or has his mind on something else, and forgets to secure his property. Then someone notices the item and decides to steal it," explains Thomas.

During the last two weeks, several larcenies have taken place which seem to illustrate Thomas' point.

Here are some examples:

- A dress saber was stolen from an unsecured room at the post chapel. In this case, no one had seen the item for over a week so it was impossible to determine when it was stolen.

- A female patron of the NCO Club got up from her table to dance. When she returned, her purse was gone along with the \$45 which was in it.

- A car was parked on Merchant Road west of the Golden Gate Bridge parking lot. Someone smashed out the right rear window and got away with \$50 and several credit cards.

- Another car parked in the parking lot next to building 130, was broken into by smashing the right side vent window. A small amount of cash was taken.

- A pair of pants were left unattended on a bed in a barracks building. When the individual returned, he discovered that someone had removed \$35 from a pocket.



A radio attracted a thief to this car.

file photo

"Each of these thefts could have been prevented if the victim had not been careless with his valuables, says Thomas. He adds, "If a person can't see something worth stealing, he usually won't bother with breaking in to get it."

In each case of reported larceny, an investigation is conducted and MPs do their best to try to recover stolen property.

However there are several factors which make this a considerable task.

Thomas explains, "The presidio is not just an open post. It is a part of San Francisco. We usually have to trace stolen property to all parts of the city as well as here on post. Although it is difficult, we often are able to recover stolen items."

He indicated that in addition to helping prevent theft, post residents can also help military police to locate

their property if it is stolen. "People should keep a record of the serial numbers of their valuable items and record identifying features of things which do not have serial numbers. Many times a small flaw or a mark on an item can help to identify it."

Another difficulty encountered by MPs in fighting the problem of larceny is that many people who are the victims of theft don't bother to report it. Thomas notes, "Some victims of theft feel that there is probably no chance to recover lost items anyway, so why notify the MPs? Even if that were the case, it is still very important that we know when and where the crimes are occurring so that we can take action to stop them in the future."

To illustrate, Thomas offered a recent example in which military

police were informed of several thefts from autos in the parking lot of the NCO Club over a period of a few weeks. "Patrols were increased in that area. It turned out that the increased visibility of our units in the area was all it took to put a stop to the problem and it would not have been possible if those people hadn't called to report the thefts," said Thomas.

Summing up the ways Presidio residents can help military police to reduce the incidence of larceny, Thomas suggests the following measures:

- Keep your valuables in a secure location and check them frequently. Don't assume that something is safe unsecured "just for a few minutes."

- When getting out of your car, try not to leave valuable items inside. If you must, then try to keep them out of sight.

- Lock up bicycles and other items which are stored outside.

- Mark and record serial numbers of valuable possessions.

- If you discover something has been stolen, notify the MPs immediately.

- If you see someone you suspect is attempting to commit larceny, call the MP desk—and report it.

Last year 377 larcenies were reported here on the Presidio. Statistics released last week show that there has been a five percent increase so far this year. In order to counter this trend, the military police are stepping up their efforts but they need the public's cooperation.

As Thomas put it, "If all of us take the necessary precautions to reduce the possibility of becoming victims of larceny, we will be taking a big step towards reducing the crime rate on the Presidio."

Winkler assumes command of LAMC

by Chuck Dasey

Major General Floyd W. Baker, Commanding General of Letterman since July 1978, turned over command of the medical center to Brigadier General William P. Winkler, Jr., in a change of command ceremony last Friday.

Baker assumes command of the U. S. Army 7th Medical Command in Heidelberg, Germany, in March.

Winkler comes to Letterman from Ft. Hood, Texas, where he has commanded Darnall Army Hospital and served as the III Corps Surgeon since June 1978.

While commanding Letterman, Baker was an active supporter of the San Francisco USO, the Golden Gate Chapter of the American Red Cross, the Richmond District YMCA and Scouting in the Bay Area. He was

recognized by Irwin Memorial Blood Bank for his support of blood drives at Letterman.

Baker and his wife, Dolly, became avid distance runners during their stay in San Francisco. They lent organizational support to several of the Bay Area's most popular races.

Winkler received his medical degree from the University of Illinois College of Medicine in 1958. He com-

pleted his residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at Akron General Hospital, Akron, Ohio, in 1962. He has been on active duty since 1962. He is certified by the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology. He is a Fellow of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology, and a member of the American Medical Association and the Association of Military Surgeons of the U. S. Army.

Two civilians cited

Two people were arrested at the NCO Club Saturday night by post MPs and charged with a number of offenses.

David Alvarez, a civilian from Pacifica, is being charged with entry for unlawful purposes, vandalism, drunk and disorderly, resisting arrest, assault against a peace officer, and battery against a police officer.

Charles Hallstrom, also a civilian from San Mateo, is being charged with entry for unlawful purposes, disturbing the peace and drunk and disorderly conduct.

The two were arrested after a club employee notified post MPs after Alvarez reportedly kicked out the

glass in one of the NCO Clubs doors.

While being taken to the MP car, Alvarez became "belligerent and combative" according to the report. Hallstrom then became loud and disorderly and was also apprehended.

In the attempt to restrain Alvarez, one military police investigator was reportedly kicked in the face, shoulder and wrist by Alvarez.

Both the investigator and Alvarez were taken to LAMC for treatment. The investigator was treated for a bruised left cheek and sprained wrist and released.

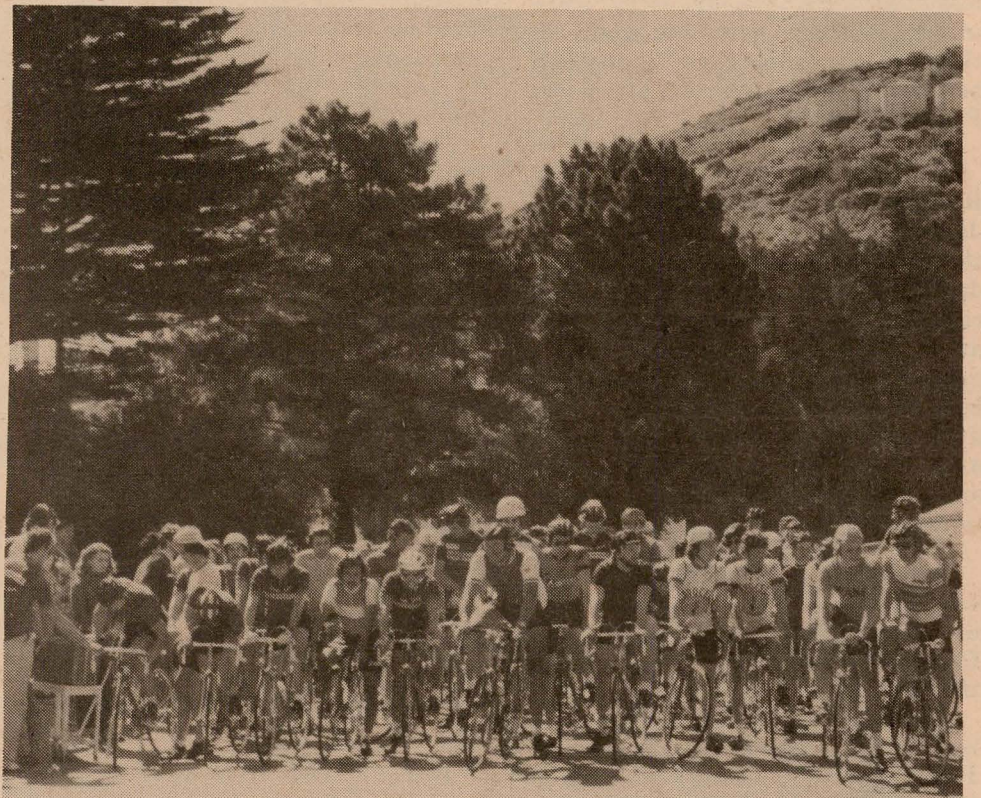
Alvarez was treated for abrasions to his leg and was transported to the San Francisco County Jail.

Possible air traffic controller strike could disrupt commercial air travel

Individuals who are planning air travel during the next few weeks should be making alternative plans to complete their trips in case the Professional Air Traffic Controllers Organization (PATCO) goes on strike. The threatened strike may occur on or about March 15, accord-

ing to word received here from the Military Traffic Management Command in Washington, D. C.

MAC has indicated that category B missions will operate on schedule regardless of any work stoppage on the part of PATCO.



File Photo

Flying wheels

On Sunday, The Flying Wheels of San Francisco will again hold their annual brigade bicycle race on Murray Circle at East Fort Baker. From 8 a.m. until noon, the club will conduct a series of races culminated by a race of Olympic-class brigadists. The public is invited to this colorful event.



German storm troopers surrender to riflemen of the 100th Inf. Bn.

The most decorated military unit in U.S. history to be honored here Saturday

by Bill Craig

On Saturday at 1 p.m., the Presidio Army Museum will be the site of the largest reunion of Japanese American veterans ever held on the mainland as veterans of the most highly decorated unit in the history of the nation gather to commemorate the inauguration of a pictorial exhibit honoring them—the "Go for Broke" 442nd Regimental Combat Team.

Shortly after the start of World War II, approximately 110,000 Americans of Japanese ancestry were interned in huge detention camps in the western states. Their loyalty had become suspect after the attack on Pearl Harbor.

In 1942, President Franklin D. Roosevelt lifted the ban on drafting Japanese Americans in response to their pleas to be allowed to help defend America. His decision resulted in a special unit being created to receive the "Nisei" (first generation of Japanese Americans born in the U.S.) volunteers. This unit, the 442nd, would go on to be awarded seven presidential citations and 18,000 individual combat decorations for bravery during the war.

A total of 33,000 Japanese Americans answered the call to fight, many of them did so even though their families had to remain locked up in the detention centers.

Eric Saul, curator of the museum, relates this quote from a 20-year-old 1st Lt. during the unit's training at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin in 1943, "We are going to change America! This is our one chance to bail our parents out of jail."

Saul tells of another 442nd soldier who was killed in action, "When they

were going through his pockets, the chaplain opened the man's wallet. Inside was a yellow newspaper clipping which told of night riders burning down his parents' home while they were in a detention center. In tears, the chaplain said, "How could this man have joined the Army. There is no medal high enough to make a man fight for a country that did that to him."

Saul calls the exhibit a "Cinderella story" which tells of how this group of people endured circumstances of terrible and unjustified prejudice, rose above it and changed the country's attitude toward Japanese Americans.

The pictorial salute, which comes from more than 2500 photos and 50 scrap albums, also traces the history of the 100th Infantry Battalion from Hawaii. The 100th, first Japanese American unit to engage in combat, distinguished itself in several campaigns in Italy before coming a part of the 442nd on June 8, 1944.

Participating in the ceremonies on Saturday will be two of the 442nd's distinguished alumni, U.S. Senators Daniel Inouye and Spark Matsunaga of Hawaii. Inouye received the Distinguished Service Cross and Matsunaga earned the Silver Star while serving with the unit in Italy and France. The mayor of San Francisco, Dianne Feinstein, is also scheduled to take part.

Before the ribbon cutting ceremony, there will be a parade and Pass in Review to be followed by an invocation and words from the honored guests. There will also be an outdoor exhibit of World War II military hardware.

In combat in Europe during World War II, the 442nd received:

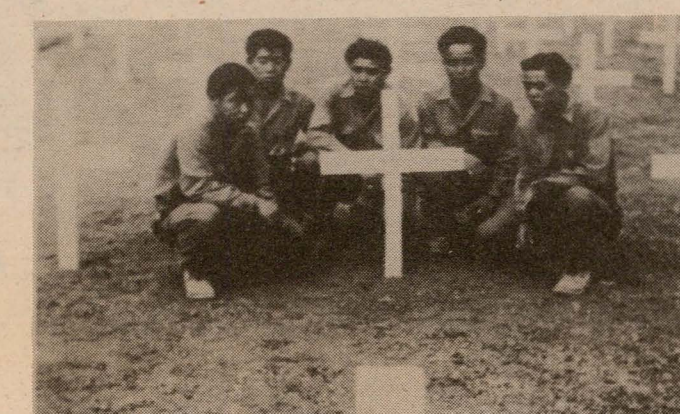
- 9,480 combat casualties (three times its original strength)
- 600 killed in action
- 7 Presidential Unit Citations
- 9,480 Purple Heart Medals
- 18,000 individual decorations
- 1 Medal of Honor

- 52 Distinguished Service Crosses
- 600 Silver Stars

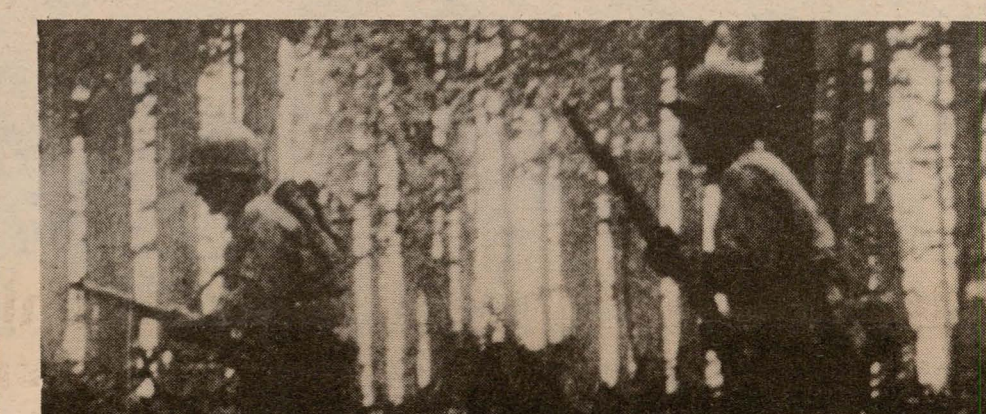
The 442nd Infantry Combat Team has been officially recognized as "The most decorated unit in American military history for its size and length of service."



100th Inf. Div. troops on their way to Velletri, Italy in 1944.



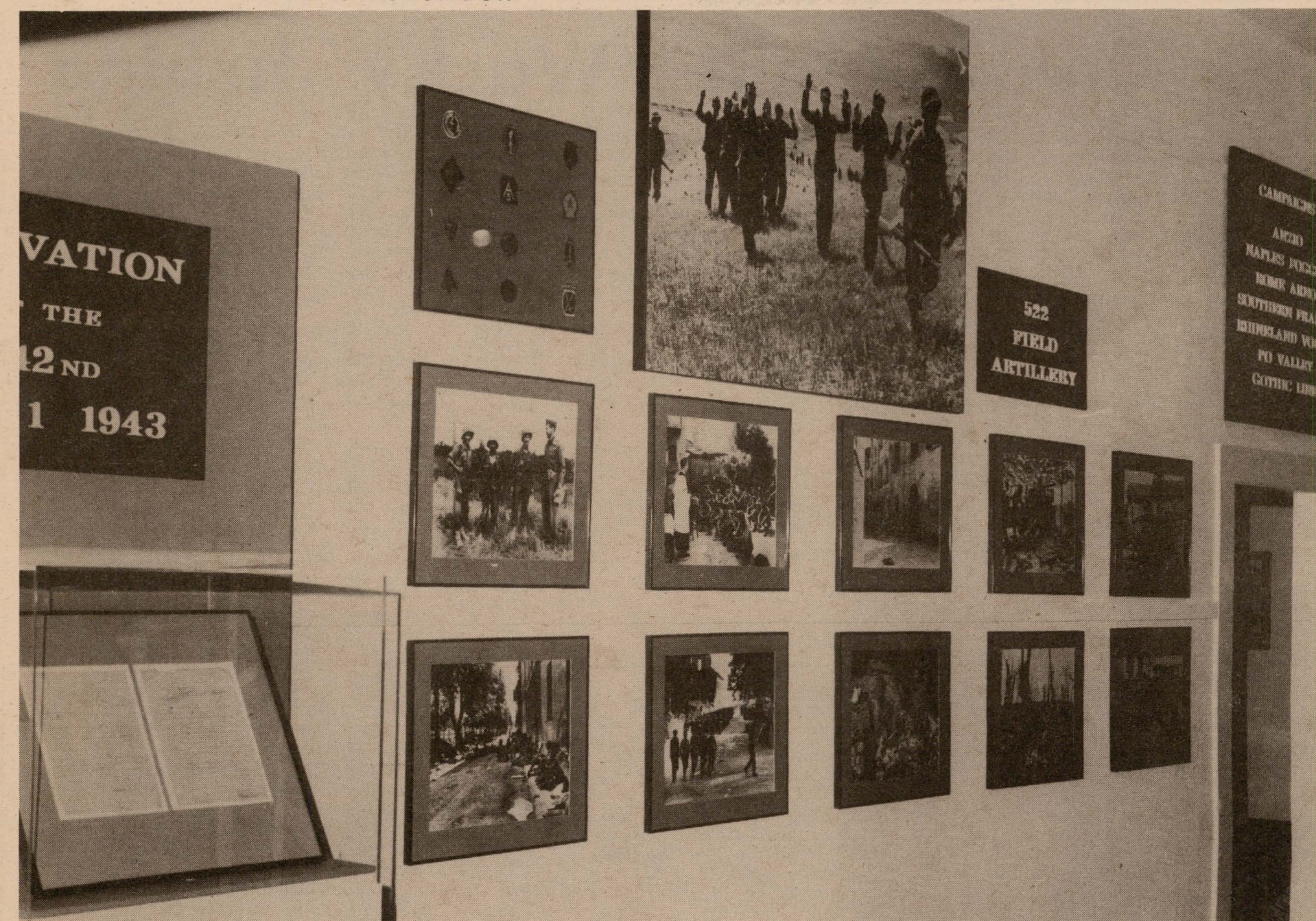
442nd honor roll



Action from the rescue of the Lost Battalion of the Texas Division.



Chet Tanaka, assistant coordinator of the exhibit, was a member of the unit which rescued the Lost Battalion.



over 2500 photos and 50 scrap albums were used in creating the exhibit.

Photos by Bill Craig

Time to spare



Fishing at Asilomar

Photo by Bill Craig

If you enjoy the great outdoors then you'll find the Monterey Peninsula a nice place to visit. This picturesque area is located only 100 miles south of San Francisco. It offers a variety of outdoor activities. Shown here is one of the many

rock formations on the beach at Asilomar State Park, just outside of Pacific Grove. Other famous attractions in the Monterey area are Pebble Beach, Fisherman's Wharf and Cannery Row.

Rec Center plans 'Wacky' fishing

The outdoor recreation center has children's skis, boots, and poles for rent. Also the rec center will be sponsoring 10 salmon fishing trips aboard the "Wacky Jacky". Trips are planned for April 10 and 12, May 15, June 19, July 7 and 19, August 9 and 21, and September 11 and 13.

Payment of \$32 per person must be made at least 6 weeks in advance of the trip.

The cost includes transportation, rod and reel, bait and coffee. For additional information, contact the outdoor recreation center, building 92, ext. 561-4324/4356.

The outdoor recreation center is offering a scuba class beginning on April 28. A screen test will be conducted at the Post Swimming pool at 5:30 p.m. on the opening day. For more information contact outdoor recreation between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays at ext 561-4324/5365.

The rec center is also sponsoring a day hike in the Marin Headlands. The hike will be guided by a National Park Service Naturalist on March 28. The cost is \$2 and all active duty, dependents, retired, reservist, and DoD personnel are eligible. Deadline for payment is March 24. For information or sign-up contact outdoor recreation.

The Bean Bag Theatre Company of San Francisco State University will present a play called the **Sorcerer's Apprentice** Saturday, March 14 at noon and 2 p.m. The play is part of a series of plays for children and all performances will be held in Room 104 of the Creative Arts building at San Francisco State. Tickets are \$1 for adults and 50¢ for children, and can be picked up at the Creative arts Building noon to 4 p.m. weekdays or call the box office at 469-2467.

The Education Center will be presenting a class titled, "**English as a Second Language**. This program is designed for students whose first or native language is not English. There is no fee.

A **woodworking class** will begin Friday from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. and will run every Friday night for five weeks. Fee for the class is \$6.

The **Quadro Hotteterre**, from Amsterdam will perform a concert of baroque music Tuesday at 8 p.m. in San Francisco State University's McKenna Theatre. The Dutch ensemble is especially known for their authentic performances of early eighteenth century French and early seventeenth century Italian and English music, performed on original period instruments.

German and Korean classes for active duty, dependents and civilian personnel on orders or alerted for duty to Germany or Korea will be conducted by the education center. The German classes will run from April 6 until June 15. Korean classes will be held from April 14 through June 18. There is no fee for the classes and more information is available from the Education Center at ext. 561-2974/4445.

The Sixth U.S. Army Band will present a lunchtime concert on Wednesday March 18, from 11:30-12:30. The concert will be held on the parade field, in front of building 38.

CW2 John S. Dunlap, Commander and Bandmaster, has selected music from various periods and styles, to include "A Festive Overture" by Shostakovich; a medley of tunes from the movie, "How the West was Won," and several of John Philip Sousa's best Marches.

Bring your friends, something to sit on, and spice up your lunch with the sounds of the Sixth U.S. Army Band. In the event of inclement weather, the concert will be on Thursday at the same time and place.

Presidio movie scene and flick preview

Presidio theater

Mar. 7 The Great Brain (G)	2 p.m.
Mar. 7 The Apple (PG)	7 p.m.
Mar. 8 Seems Like Old Times (PG)	7 p.m.
Mar. 9 Seems Like Old Times (PG)	7 p.m.
Mar. 10 The Gong Show Movie (R)	7 p.m.
Mar. 11 How To Beat The High Cost of Living (PG)	7 p.m.
Mar. 12 The Octagon (R)	7 p.m.
Mar. 13 The Octagon (R)	7 p.m.

Schwartz theater

Mar. 9 Divine Madness (R)	7 p.m.
Mar. 10 The Apple (PG)	7 p.m.
Mar. 11 Seems Like Old Times (PG)	7 p.m.
Mar. 12 The Gong Show Movie (R)	7 p.m.
Mar. 13 How To Beat The High Cost of Living (PG)	7 p.m.

Presidio Preview

The Octagon—Retired martial arts champion Chuck Norris is recruited by wealthy Karen Carlson to rub out the terrorists who have earmarked her for death. Norris' nemesis is Tadashi Yamashita, his sworn enemy from early days. The vendetta culminates in a pitched battle at the octagonal training compound of the Ninja cult, which serves as a school for terrorists of all types. Only one man can stop them...

Sports

Sports shorts

Boxers wanted

The Presidio Boxing Team is still in need of novice and advanced boxers. Training will be held daily from 3 to 5 p.m., at Building 1226, Ft. Scott Gym, or at the Newman Gym in San Francisco. For further information call Mr. Jim Ragasa at ext. 2070 during duty hours, Monday through Friday.

Gym closing

Post Gym No. 1, Bldg. 63, will be closed all day, March 15, 1981 for testing of candidates for the U.S. Military Academy.

DYA baseball

Registration for DYA baseball will be held on the 14th and 15th of March at Post Gym 1, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Fees will be

\$3.50 for one child and \$6 per family. Proof of birth must be presented at time of registration (birth certificate only). The program is open to boys and girls between the ages of 7 and 14. Tryouts will be held March 21 at Pop Hicks Field. Ages and tryout times are as follows:

AGE GROUP

7-10
11-12
13-14

TRYOUT TIMES

9:00-Noon
1:00-2:00
2:00-3:00

Intramural results

The final standings for the 1981 Intramural Basketball program are as follows:

PRESIDIO LEAGUE

DOCTORS
USAG
6th ARMY
170th MP CO
864th ENGRS.

BAY LEAGUE
STAFF STUFFERS
LAIR
LAMC No. 4
LAMC No. 5

FT. SCOTT LEAGUE
PUBLIC HEALTH
SERVICE
504th MP BN
LAMC A
USACC

Wrestling clinic

The 1981 Intramural Wrestling program has been rescheduled for

7-1 April 27. A clinic will be held at 3 p.m. in Building 63, Main Post Gym. The clinic will include a slide show of illegal holds. All unit commanders are encouraged to let their men start preparing for training.

Gym opens

Gym No. 2, Building 1152, has reopened for normal hours of operation. Hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Hours change

There will be a change in operating hours of Gym No. 1, due to the Presidio's hosting of the 1981 Interservice Basketball Tournament. The entire gymnasium, with the exception of the basketball court, will be closed March 10-13 from 6 p.m. until closing.

Military basketball tourney to start here

Story and photos by Jon Chelgren

Top players from throughout the military will converge on the Presidio main gym Tuesday evening as the 1981 Interservice Basketball Championship gets underway.

The first night's action pairs all stars from the Air Force against the Marine Corps in a 7 p.m. game while the Army faces the Navy at 9 p.m.

The All-Army team features two Presidians, Larry Warren, a teletype operator from the 504th MP Battalion, and James Allen, a military policeman with the 170th MP Company.

For Warren, the 1981 tournament will be his third year as an All-Army team member. In addition to playing on the team last year, he was later selected for the Armed Forces team and was eventually named "most valuable player" in the 1980 NATO Championships.

Warren's teammates, many of whom are former college stars, face their first real test in the tournament, says Coach Alex Scott, himself a former All-Army player.

"A lot of these guys play post-level ball," he says, "and they never really

get challenged. This is the first time they have a chance to play against people of their same caliber."

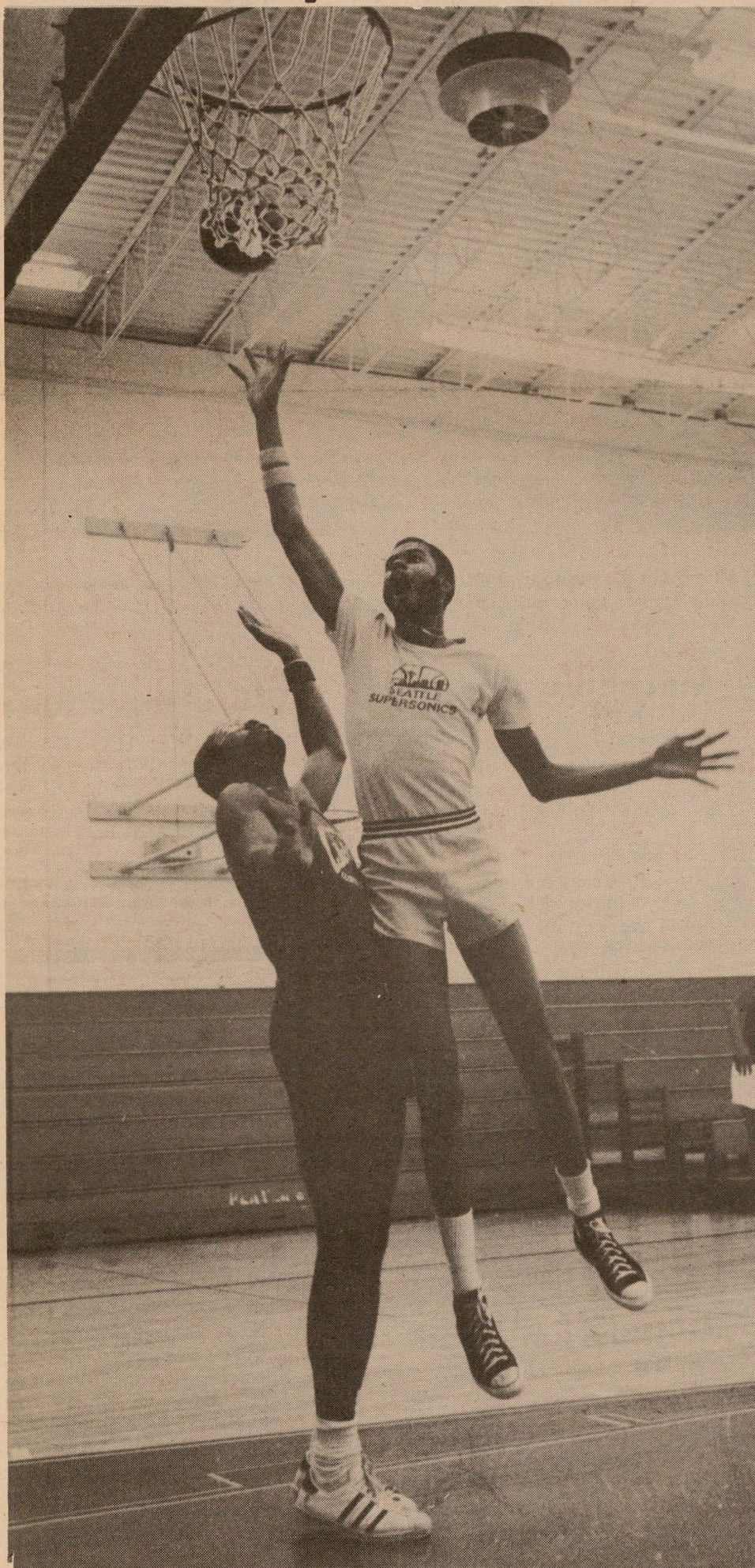
Warren agrees with that noting that the interservice play is more organized. "In post ball," he explains, "you normally just go down the court and toss the ball up. Here you've got guys that have played semi-pro, college and some good high school players. It is much more organized."

Allen cites not only the more patterned play, but also the more physical brand of basketball as important differences between post-level and interservice competition.

Claiming that this year's team has more than enough talent to win, Warren boils down the key to success to one point. "A lot of it is mental concentration. You have to be able to run the program and get organized."

When the Army takes the floor Tuesday, they will be trying to extend their domination of the championships to nine straight years. For both Warren and Allen, winning again this year means a lot.

"Says Warren, "I don't have any silver medals (for second place) and I don't want any now."

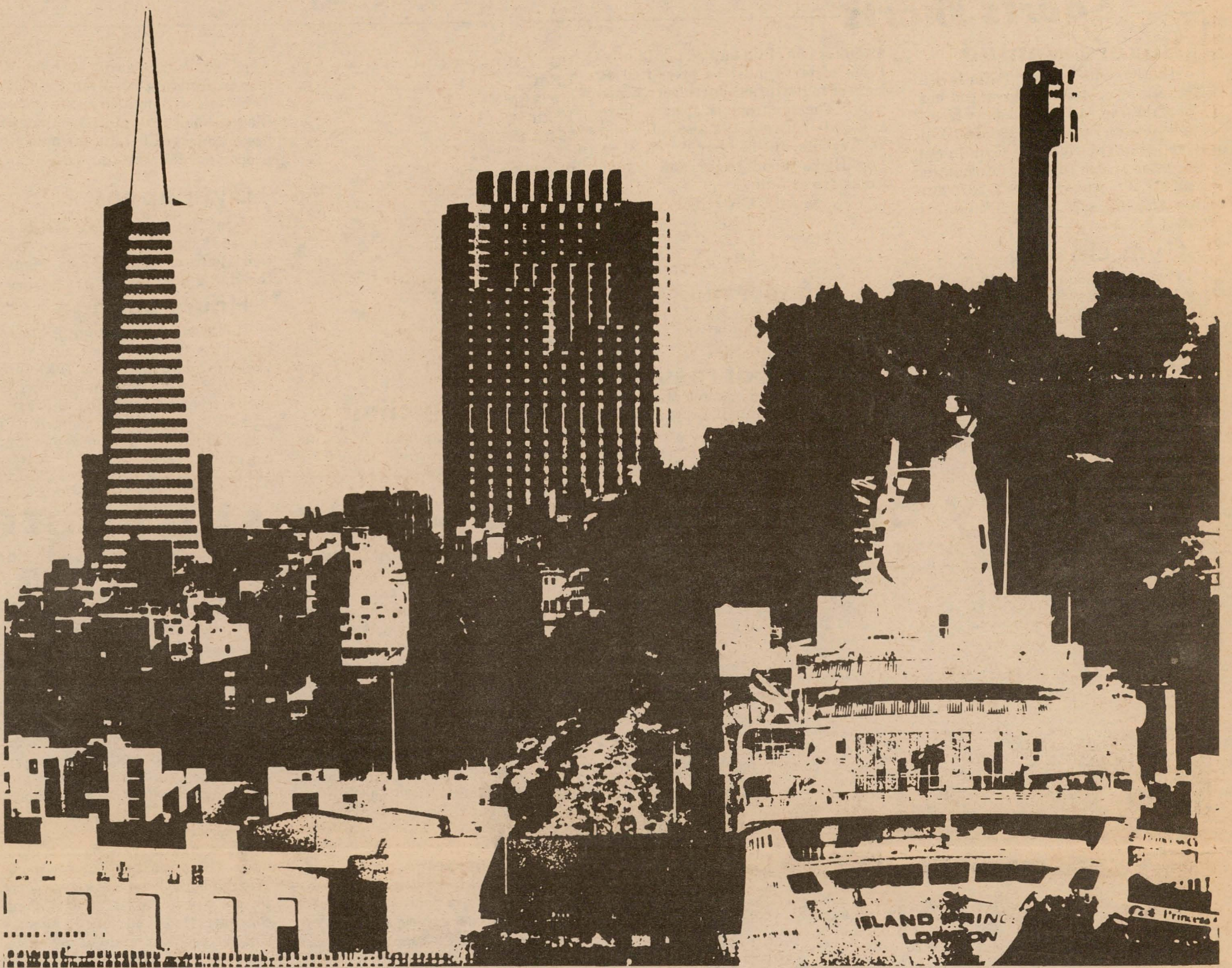


Carl Gayle puts up a shot over Thomas Blue during practice.



Eddie Brown wipes off the sweat during a recent scrimmage against a local semi pro team.

Presidio News Notes



a negative view

Tony Rose of the post photo lab won this week's Photo of the Week competition with this unusual view of the San Francisco skyline. Rose's photo will be

entered in the Photo of the Quarter competition along with the other winners. We encourage anyone who feels he has a good photo to drop it by our office on the second floor of Bldg. 37.

SFSU spring classes

The next term for San Francisco State University will start on March 30. The following courses will be offered at the Ft. Scott Education Center:

Fundamentals of Creative Writing (Creative Writing 301)—Instruction and extensive practice in creative writing with lectures and personal consultations. A study of selected literary works from the standpoint of creative impetus.

The Arts, Popular Culture and Society (Soc Sci 450)—A cross-disciplinary investigation of the nature of the arts and popular culture and their role in society. It covers the psychology of creation and the social significance and political implications of the arts and popular culture.

Courses to be offered at Letterman Army Medical Center Education Center are:

History of the United States since 1865 (Hist 121)—The history of the United States from the Civil War to the present. The more important political, constitutional, economic and cultural aspects of American life as they developed both nationally and locally.

Psychology of the Family (Psych 441)—The family as a psychological group, the husband-wife relationship with special attention to the dynamics of pairs, and the impact of the family on personality and mental health.

Classes will be held Tuesday and

Thursday evenings from 5 to 7:45 p.m.

Tuition assistance is available for all SFSU courses. Seventy-five percent is available for E-1 through E-4 and 90 percent for E-5 and above with less than 15 years service.

Enlisted spring ball

An enlisted spring ball will be held at the NCO Club on April 17 at 6 p.m. It will be a formal dining-in and is open to all enlisted personnel stationed on the Presidio.

No host cocktails will begin at 6 p.m. to be followed by dinner and dancing. The menu includes Roast beef and ham. Ticket price is \$8.

Dress for the occasion should be Army Dress Blues or the Class A uniform with white shirt and bow tie for military and after six attire for civilians.

There will be free nursery care provided for children of attendees at the post nursery. Those desiring information or reservations should contact their unit first sergeant.

Career talk

ROTC representatives from the San Francisco Area ROTC program will be available on Monday, March 23 at 7 p.m. in the Presidio Education Center to discuss financial assistance and career opportunities available through ROTC. They will also discuss programs open to students already enrolled in college. For more information contact CPT Forster at 561-6284.

Mechanic class

Good mechanics are hard to find. Neither vehicle owners nor vehicle service employers can tell easily which mechanics are competent to diagnose and repair vehicle problems. The National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (NAISE) Certification Program offers a practical way to provide qualified mechanics with the recognition and improved status they deserve.

By participating in this program you will help to professionalize your occupation, increase your career opportunities, improve your chances for higher pay and gain recognition in your community as someone who is dedicated to automotive service excellence.

Registration deadline for automotive, Heavy-duty truck, Body repair and painting and refinishing tests is April 6, 1981.

Call the Ft Scott Education Center or the LAMC Education Center for more information.

Monthly luncheon

The March monthly cultural luncheon sponsored by the Equal Opportunity office is set for Tuesday. The cuisine featured is Armenian.

There are seats for 40 people and the restaurant is located 10 minutes from post.

The free bus departs from the main bus stop (across from bank) at 11:40 a.m. and should return at 1:00 p.m.

OWC art auction

The Presidio Officers' Wives Club will present an art auction on Friday, tomorrow, at the Presidio Officers' Club. The preview is from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. and the auction starts at 8:00. Admission is free and open to all military personnel. An original oil painting will be given as a door prize.

Special Olympics

A call has been issued to all handicapped athletes interested in participating in the 1981 Special Olympic Track and Field Meet.

Practice sessions are ongoing Saturdays, through April 11, 9:30-11 a.m. at Kezar Stadium, Frederick and Williard Streets. Athletes should enter the stadium via Gate 21 at the west end. They should bring tennis shoes and wear loose clothing; a sweater or jacket is also advisable.

Volunteer instructors will be present at all track and field sessions.

The 1981 Special Olympic Track and Field Meet will be held Saturday, May 2, at Kezar Stadium.

The Special Olympics is a volunteer program sponsored by the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department.

Kezar Stadium may be reached by the No. 7-Haight; No. 33-Ashbury; No. 71-Haight-Noriega; No. 72-Haight-Sunset; No. 43-Parnassus and the "N" Judah streetcar line.

For further information, telephone 558-5031.

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2000 attend exhibit opening

by Bill Craig

A crowd of 2000 gathered at the Presidio Army Museum on Saturday to dedicate the opening of a pictorial exhibit honoring the World War II exploits of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team.

The 442nd, which was composed of Japanese-American volunteers, emerged from World War II as the most highly decorated unit for its size and length of service in the history of the nation. Nicknamed the "Go for Broke" regiment, the 442nd earned over 18,000 individual combat decorations during its two years in World War II action. These included 52 distinguished service crosses and 600 silver star medals. They also received 9,480 Purple Hearts for combat casualties (three times the strength of the original unit). The unit was awarded seven presidential unit citations.

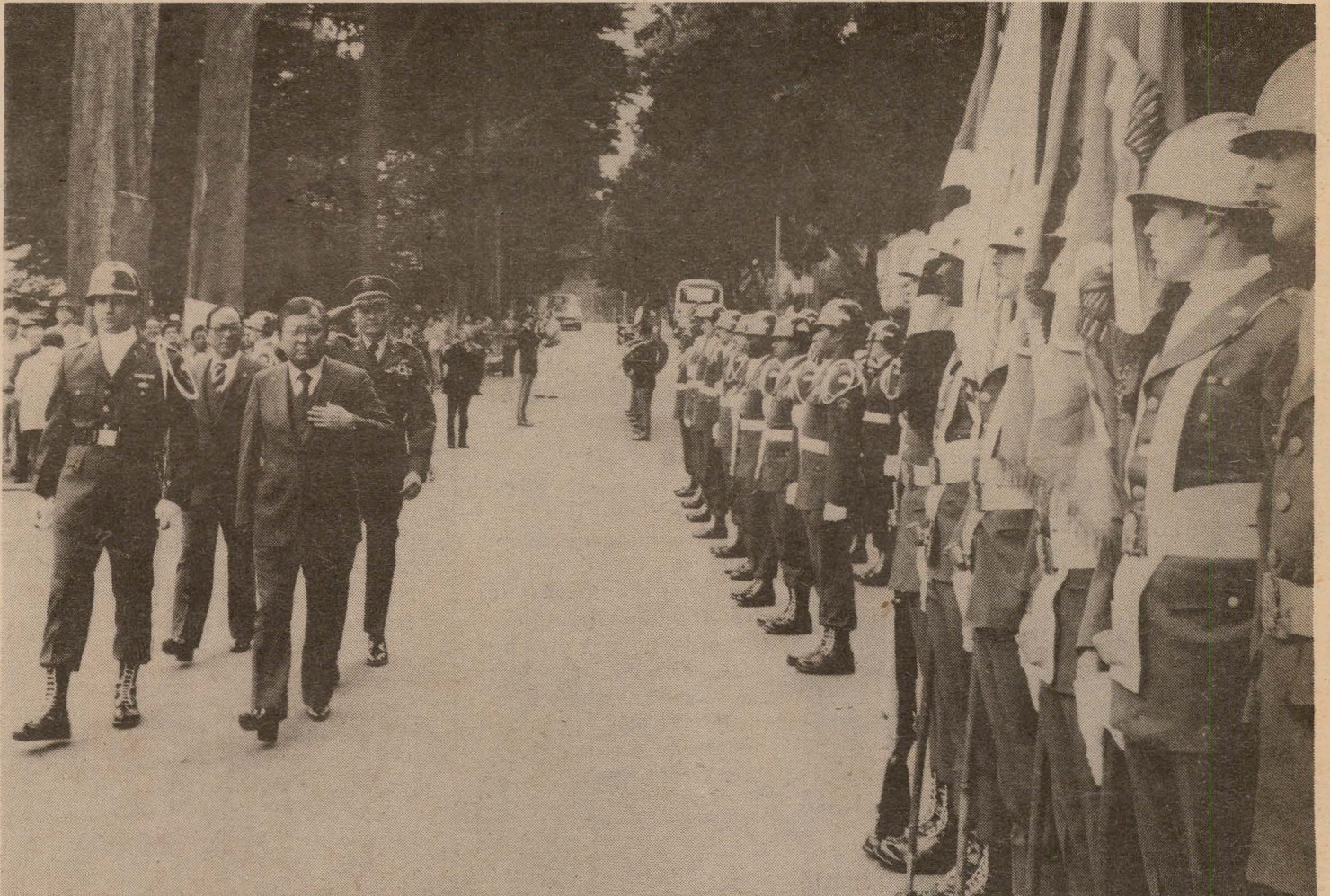
Guests of honor at the emotional ceremony included US Sen. Daniel Inouye and Spark Matsunaga of Hawaii, both veterans of the unit and service in the 100th Infantry Battalion in Italy. Inouye lost an arm as a result of wounds he suffered during the campaign to take Italy and was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for valor.

Other dignitaries on the speakers platform were Brig. Gen. Robert S. Young, Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., post commander, and Diane Feinstein, mayor of San Francisco. Mike Masaoka, an original member of the 442nd, was master of ceremonies for the event.

The ceremony began with a 17-gun salute to the senators, followed by a salute to the members of the 442nd who were killed in action.

Presidio troops were then inspected by the two senators along with Young and commander of troops Capt. Robert Arosteguy.

Before the introduction of guests Masaoka introduced 18 members of the Japanese-American Senior Citizen's Club of Watsonville. He noted that all of them were between



Personnel from Headquarters Company, U. S. Army Garrison are inspected during the ceremony.

Photo by H. Kinoshita

the ages of 74 and 92 and that nine of them were parents of men who had served in the 442nd Regimental Combat Team.

The crowd was silent as they sang a soft and poignant version of "God Bless America." Just before they had finished, a man jumped up from the center of the crowd and began yelling anti-war slogans. He was quickly subdued by members of the audience and military police.

Masaoka spoke of the terrible prejudice which Japanese Americans were forced to endure at the outset of and during the war. Some 110,000 were forced to leave their homes and personal possessions behind and report to detention centers which he termed "American-style concentration camps".

It was from these camps that many of those who were to serve in the 442nd, first volunteered to fight to defend America. Masaoka proclaimed, "Many of us had to fight our way into the Army, and as Gen. Stillwell said, we purchased with our blood the right to be American citizens".

Inouye spoke of the pride he felt from serving with the 442nd but pointed out that there were members of the unit who were not of Japanese ancestry but "were all volunteers who stepped forward and endured the jeers of their fellow officers, to lead the unit." He then introduced Col. (ret.) James Hanley and the widow of Col. Charles W. Pence. Hanley commanded the unit throughout the latter part of the war and Pence was its first commander.

Mayor Feinstein presented a plaque to Masaoka and remarked that she felt that it was important that people understand the circumstances which surrounded the treatment of Japanese Americans during World War II, adding, "To forget such things is to make it possible for them to happen again."

After cutting the ceremonial ribbon, the dignitaries toured the exhibit which is comprised of over 2500 photos, 50 scrap albums and other memorabilia donated by members of the unit and taken from official US Army historical files.

Later the doors were opened to the crowd of 2000 which had gathered to witness the event. The exhibit will remain at the museum for one year.

MPs report cocaine arrest, larcenies here this week

Christopher G. Richards of San Rafael and Micheal T. Thompson of Fresno were arrested by MPs for possession of cocaine just after midnight on Friday.

At approximately 12:30 a.m. an MP patrol spotted a car parked in a restricted area on East Road in Ft. Baker. While checking the identification of the occupants, one of the MPs noticed a rolled-up twenty dollar bill and some white powdery substance on the car's console.

A field test for cocaine was conducted on the substance which turned up positive results. Richards and Thompson were transported to the San Francisco County Jail.

MPs also reported that sometime between Friday night and Saturday morning someone removed a wallet containing \$170 from an unsecured room in building 213. A search was conducted which failed to turn up the wallet. The case has been closed pending receipt of additional information.

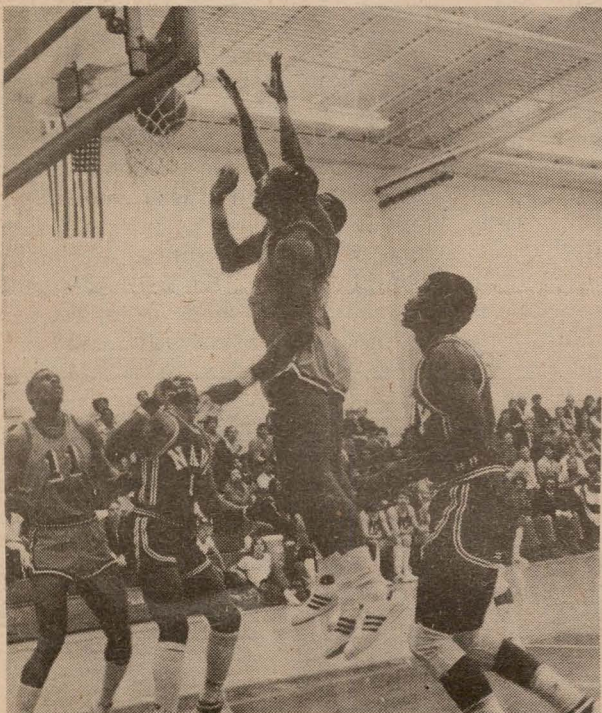
Another case of larceny was reported on Saturday. A Military Police investigation revealed that a Contax 35mm camera was stolen from room 19, clinic 366 in Letterman Army Medical Center.

The camera was government property. Investigators were not able to determine whether or not it had been secured.

A larceny of secured private property occurred sometime early on Sunday from an auto which was parked in the lot between Buildings 1202 and 1203 on post.

MP's reported that someone broke into the car, "by unknown means", and made off with two cases of music tapes. The tapes were valued at \$450.

Sixteen of the tapes were marked—DV0446 for identification. A provost marshal spokesman emphasized that anyone who spots a tape with this mark on it should contact MPs. The investigation is being continued by the CID.



Flying high

Photo by Jon Chelgren

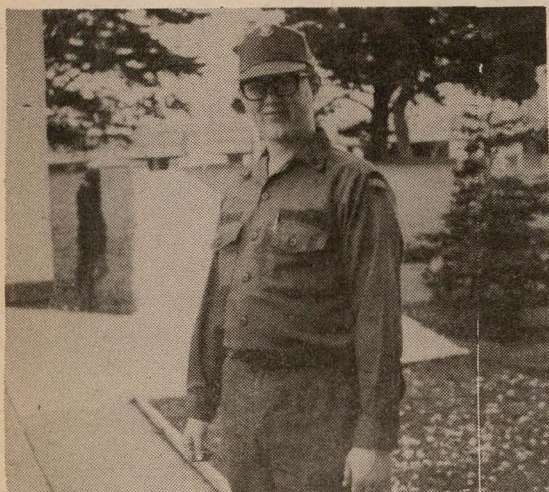
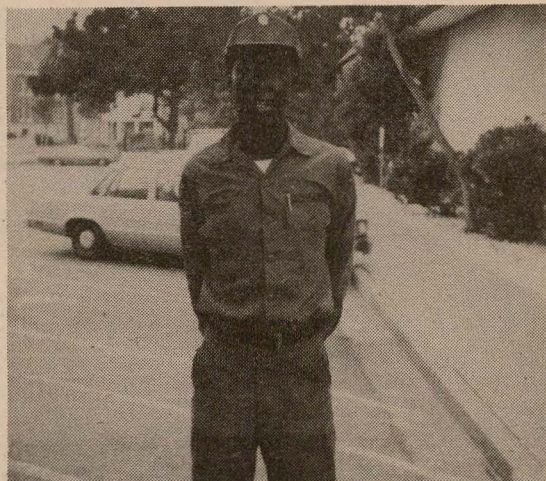
Army center Thomas Blue taps in a shot enroute to his 20 point performance over Navy. For complete results, see page seven.

Opinion

Ramblin' Sam

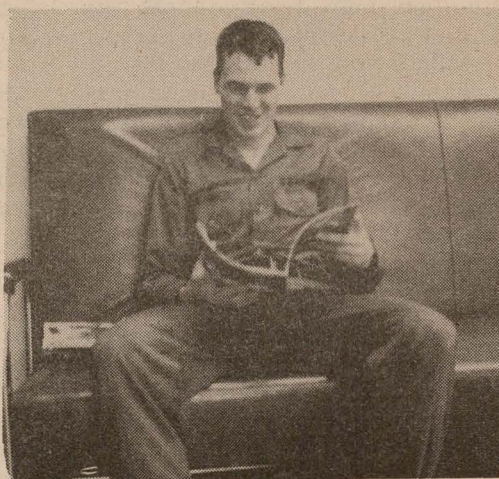
Are the recreational facilities offered on post adequate?

Sgt. Harold Donald Main Post Gym. "Yes, I would say they are because I work in the main gym and I think everything is up to par and we haven't had any complaints yet."



PFC Russell Rice 16th AG Postal Det. "The Recreational facilities are adequate but to improve them they should open up the log cabin again because most of the soldiers up on Fort Scott don't have anywhere to go except the bowling alley and the Rec Center where they don't serve beer."

Pvt Tracy Hodges, Family Housing. "Yes, I go down and play pool all the time down at the rec. center, because there is nothing else to do"



Pfc Tony Rose, Post Photo Facility. "No, I don't think they are, they need to plan more trips. Trips to Reno, Las Vegas and Great America."



Pvt Pat Anderson, MISO "Yes, I don't think anything needs to be improved. They have good hours. The gym is open almost all day and at night after I get off work, so I don't any any problems getting into use the facilities."



Tips for survival

Life on the Presidio

by K. Douglas Cook

It's an understatement to say that life on the Presidio is a bit unique. If you've come from most other posts within the military, it does take time to learn how to cope with the way of doing things here.

As a service to you who may have just arrived, we have taken the time to prepare this brief guide which should make your stay more enjoyable.

Don't be surprised if you go downtown in uniform and receive some rather odd looks. There are, in fact, some citizens of this city who truly believe that the Presidio is part of the Golden Gate park.

Don't automatically assume that everyone you see in uniform is a Reservist. Oh, by the way, don't be put off by the barbers on street corners asking for donations. They have to make a living too!!

If you're from Dixie, you may be slightly disappointed to learn the Main Cafeteria does not sell grits. However, everything else is guaranteed to be fried in generous amounts of oil, so all is not lost.

If you decide to use the bank or post office on your lunch hour, you will never be lonely.

Avoid running on roads marked with that sign stating "49 Mile Scenic Tour." You might discover that the words "Jogger" and "Target" have more in common than six letters!

Despite what you've heard, skate boards on California Street are not stylish although they do get almost immediate attention at intersections.

Be certain to carry your passport when you cross the Golden Gate

bridge heading north. Also, while passing through Marin county, it's not wise to accept candy from strangers.

If you happen to drive through what appears to be fog in Sonoma county, avoid breathing too deeply. It's probably not fog.

If stopped by the California Highway Patrol, never ask if they watch "Chips" and avoid making jokes. People who ride motorcycles on freeways can't have been hired for their sense of humor.

To determine your military discount downtown, add 20% to the total bill.

Never bother your First Sergeant with questions about going to the field for training. Tactical patrolling can be learned at Golden Gate Park after 9 PM any evening.

Remember, Treasure Island is where the Marines are stored when not in use. They do not take telephone orders.

And speaking of the Navy... it's not a good idea to stand in the middle of the Golden Gate bridge and make obscene gestures at the gray ships with the numbers. Some of them are rumored to be armed and dangerous.

If your wife asks you to go downtown to pick up some lipstick or perfume for her, don't be at all embarrassed. You'll probably have a lot of guys there to keep you company!

This is, by no means, a comprehensive list. You might just want to tack this up for future reference and add to it when necessary. Remember, serving at the Presidio may be a tough job, but as they say, someone has to do it!

Editor's commentary

The other day I overslept a little and by the time I was ready to leave for work, it looked as if my daughter might miss her school bus. We hurried out to the car and sure enough, just as I started to unlock the door, the bus went by.

After a frantic chase through the housing area, we caught the bus making its last stop on post. As my daughter got out of the car I noticed that there were several other kids who had also apparently missed the bus and were running down the middle of the street to catch it.

The bus driver became aware of this at about the same time I did and waved to the kids to let them know that he was waiting for them. He kept his lights flashing and remained at the stop until all of them had arrived.

I guess that since my own daughter was already on the bus, at first I didn't notice the cars which were passing. Throughout this entire episode, they didn't even bother to

slow down, much less stop, for the children or the flashing school bus lights.

But after the bus had gone I realized that five or six people had driven through the kids, around me and around the bus like none of us were even there. Some horrible thoughts about what could have happened went through my mind. I decided that I would make sure to get my daughter to the bus stop on time in the future and to tell her that if she should happen to miss the bus, she should just come home. Her mother or I will take her.

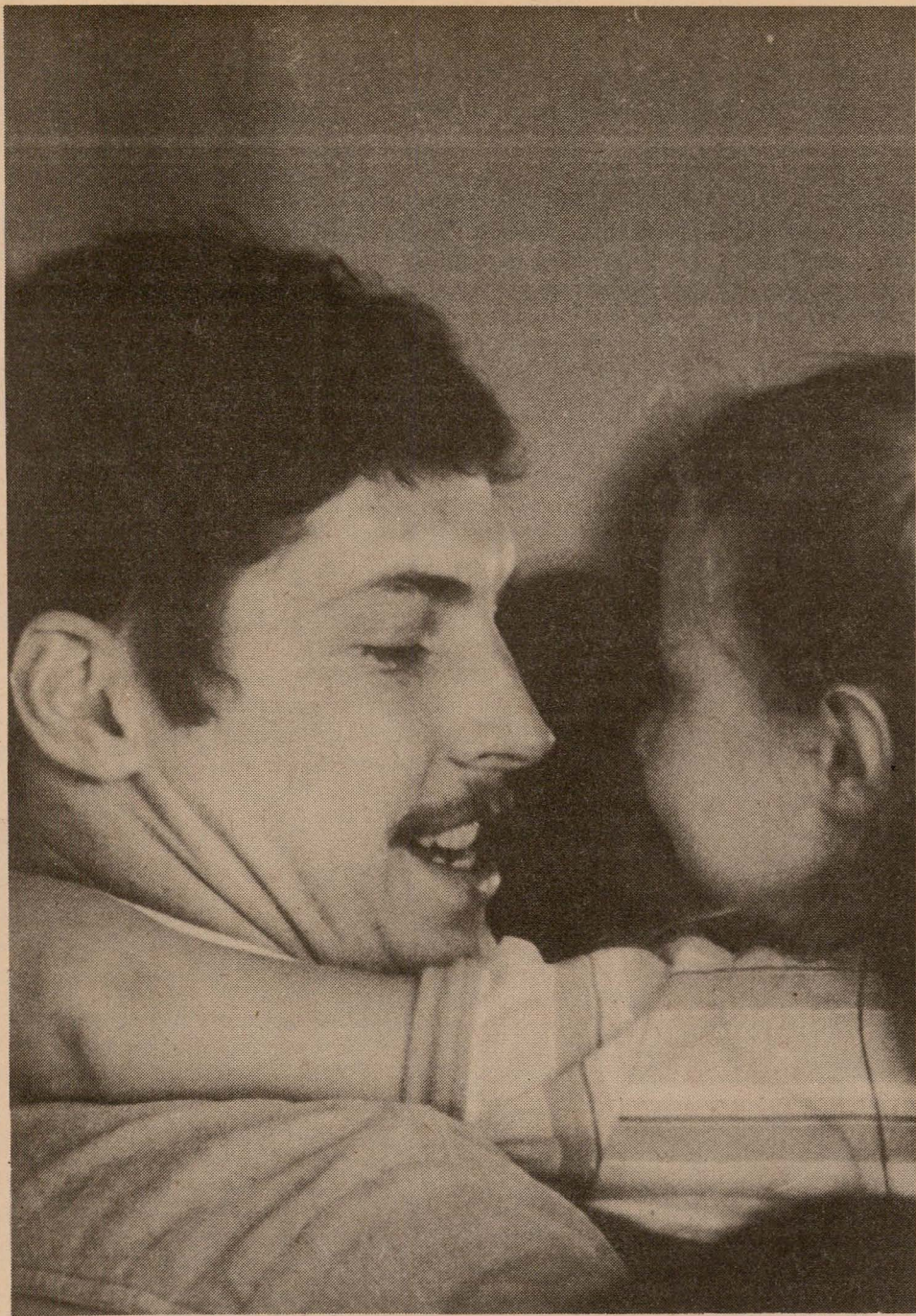
But now that I have had time to reflect on just how dangerous that situation was, I have decided on a more direct course of action. From now on, when I see someone passing a school bus while it is stopped to pick-up or discharge passengers, I will take his license number and make a complaint to the military police immediately. I hope other residents of this installation will do the same.

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Bressett embraces his daughter as he arrives from Ft. Chaffee. Photo by Tim Dewar

Members of 170th return from Chaffee

by Tim Dewar

"All right! Our daddy is going to be here in a minute!" shouted Heather Bressett as she, along with her mother and sister waited for her father's plane to arrive.

Her dad, Sgt. John D. Bressett, a member of the 170th MP Company's 2nd Platoon, along with 42 other 2nd Plt. members returned from Fort Chaffee Ark. Monday where they helped provide security for the Cuban refugees who have been housed there since they fled their country.

"It feels great!" added Joanne Walker, whose husband was also one of the returnees. "I was bored to death while he was gone," she added.

The returnees, who nicknamed themselves the "Bus People" explains Sp4 Ken Foster one of the returnees, "because when we trained at Fort Chaffee, that's how we arrived at our destination," were greeted by a crowd of friends and family at the San Francisco Airport.

Among the crowd of welcomers was the 504th MP Bn. Commander, Lt. Col. Donald Gallagher, Capt. Peter DeComas, who is their new company commander, and chaplain George Bearden 504th Mp chaplain.

Gallagher gave a brief welcoming speech to the returnees in the airport USO. He thanked them for returning in one piece and added, "The mission was accomplished in the same fine sterling manner that the 170th has shown in the past."

Chaplain Bearden offered a prayer of thanks for their safe return, and then it was up to their new company commander who introduced himself to the returnees for the first time.

"I was told that I had a platoon at Fort Chaffee somewhere when I arrived," DeComas said. "Did we lose anyone to marriage?" he then asked. "Only one" came the reply from the crowd as they pushed the guilty person forward towards DeComas.

After congratulations, the speeches broke up and everyone headed for the bus which had a large welcome home sign taped to the side.

Almost immediately on the ride home, they were reminded that it was business as usual, "I want a platoon formation as soon as we get off the bus in front of the supply room," ordered Platoon Sgt. SSgt. Barry Tarbet. "Welcome back to the 170th" came a voice from the back of the bus.

"For those of you who want to celebrate tonight, be advised we still run PT every morning," reminded 170th's Operations Sergeant, SSgt. Jeffery Huber. "Oh I feel a profile coming" came another voice jokingly from the back.

The ride home for the bus people ended with cheers of "Yea! Baker Beach," and "we're back on the Presidio," and of course, the formation in front of the supply room.

Red Cross celebrates 100th year of service

As the country grows older, so do many of the organizations which serve its citizens. This year marks a milestone in the history of the American Red Cross—it's 100th year of existence.

The Red Cross symbol has been seen in every major war and conflict in which America has been involved since the turn of the century. Many times soldiers and dependents only think of first-aid supplies, ambulances, coffee, beds and blankets when they hear the name.

Yet the American Red Cross stands for a lot more. For example, it

is the nation's largest voluntary service organization. To be certain, the Red Cross has been there when Americans have entered war. They have brought the hot coffee, doughnuts and relief supplies to disaster-stricken communities. The Red Cross, however, provides many other services, often handled by dedicated volunteers who hold down part or full-time jobs.

Among the programs and services offered by this 100-year-old organization are such things as providing blood and blood derivatives for the ill and injured, counselling of military

personnel and veterans, care for the sick, infirm and injured and a countless number of health and safety-oriented courses.

At the Presidio, the Red Cross office is located at Building 1016, Letterman Annex. Station Director Ruth Armstrong and her staff of volunteer workers administer to the needs of the local military and civilian community. Also located on the Presidio is the District Headquarters for the American Red Cross, currently headed by Herbert Lawrence.

A variety of activities are scheduled throughout this year in

remembrance of 100 years of service. Still, this anniversary is only a milestone of sorts for an organization which looks to the future.

Perhaps the words of Clara Barton, founder of the American Red Cross, best describes the philosophy of all who serve. "It is not in its past that the glories or the benefits of the Red Cross lie, but in the possibilities it has created for the future; in the lessons it has taught; in the avenues to humane effort it has opened... that shall constitute a bulwark against the mighty woes sure to come sooner or later to all people and all nations."

Group heads for Korea

by Bruce Barker

A land, air and sea exercise in South Korea this month will draw 56 Reservists from the Seventh Psychological Operations Group, headquartered at the Presidio, for seven or eight days of hard training with U. S. and Korean forces.

About 160,000 members of the U. S. and South Korean armed forces are involved in the Combined Forces Command exercise "Team Spirit," which began early last month. Only a handful come from the continental United States, however.

Seventh Group members will demonstrate to units of the Second Infantry Division and the Eighth Army how psychological operations (PSYOP) may be used as a "force multiplier" by winning enemy defections and lowering enemy morale. The U. S. Army in Korea has no PSYOP forces of its own.

The 353d PSYOP Bn. (Prisoner of War Support), the only subordinate unit of the Seventh Group that is headquartered at the Presidio, will supply propaganda development, printing, graphics, loudspeaker and current intelligence (interrogation) teams.

"Everyone is pretty excited about it," said CPT Gerald W. Erickson of the 23 members of the 353d who will make the exercise their annual training.

This is the first time a part of the 353d has conducted annual training abroad since 1972, when a much smaller group went to Korea.

All the Reservists will have close contact with the South Korean army. The tactical loudspeaker teams, for example, will each consist of two Americans and two Koreans.

Propaganda will probably be produced both in English and in Korean. Korea will supply the interpreters. Erickson said he expects quite an adventure in the meeting of the cultures.

All but six of the Seventh Group participants will be under the operational control of the Combined Forces Command's headquarters in Yongsan, where they will work. The others will be in the field.

"The Reservists can expect to find a high level of combat readiness on the part of all forces stationed in Korea due to the international tension there," said Erickson.



Photo by H. Kinoshita

Attention brown baggers

The Sixth U. S. Army Band will present a lunchtime concert on Wednesday from 11:30-12:30 and at the LAIR Auditorium on Mar. 25 at 7:30 p.m. The concert will be held on the parade field, in front of building 38. CW2 John S. Dunlap, Commander and Bandmaster, has selected music from various periods and styles, to include "A Festive Overture" by Shostakovich; a medley of tunes from the movie, "How the West was Won," and several of John Philip Sousa's best Marches. Bring your friends, something to sit on, and spice up your lunch with the sounds of the Sixth U. S. Army Band. In the event of inclement weather, the concert will be on Thursday at the same time and place.

Army update

Furlough Fare

Trans World Airlines will extend its "Furlough Fare", for military personnel, through September 30, 1981.

The fare, introduced by TWA last October, was originally scheduled to expire March 31. Available only to active duty military personnel on leave who hold a green I. D. card, it provides a discount of 50 percent off the regular coach fare on any segment throughout the TWA's domestic system.

The fare is not available to dependents, reservists, members of the National Guard, or retired military personnel.

For additional info contact your local SATO office.

Prayer Breakfast

The Annual National Prayer Breakfast will be held March 25 at the Presidio Officers' Club. All military and civilian personnel are asked to support this event. Staff sections and commanders are asked to designate a point of contact person for ticket sales, and notify Chaplain Mask or SP6 Hillhouse, 4239/4719, of the named designee. A meeting of the POC persons will be held at the Religious Activities Center, Bldg. 682, on March 16 at 10 a.m.

Exhibits wanted

Units or Organizations interested in providing displays or exhibits during Armed Forces Week-81 should contact Sixth Army coordinator, Cpt. Jimmy O. Jacobs, at ext 561-3952/3861, not later than April 15.

Masters badge to be sold

The Presidio has been allocated one badge which covers four days of the Masters Golf Tournament at Augusta, GA, April 9-12. The cost of the badge is \$50.00 and must be borne by the individual purchasing the badge. The badge will be sold by lottery.

Sign-up for the lottery will take place on March 16 at Post Gym No. 1, Bldg. 63. Drawing will be held at 8 a.m. on March 17. For additional information, contact Robert Darling at Presidio Sports Office, ext. 4120/5032.

Archery set

The FORSCOM Field Archery Tournament will be conducted at Ft. Campbell, KY, May 18-22. The Presidio is authorized to send two qualified individuals to this competition. Only active duty military personnel are eligible to participate.

Competition will be held in the field, hunter and animal rounds. All competition will be scratch. Experienced coaching by Noli Manas is available. Interested personnel should contact the Sports Branch Office at 4120/5032.

Recruiter found not guilty of fixing tests results

by Jon Chelgren

An Army recruiter from Oakland was found not guilty last week of charges that he participated in a scheme to alter the entrance battery scores of potential enlistees.

SSgt. Elzie R. Cason Jr., received the verdict last Wednesday from Lt. Col. William Westbrook, president of the court, following less than three hours of deliberation on the fifth day of his court martial at the Presidio.

Cason had been charged with two counts of violating Army Regulation 600-50 by soliciting and accepting \$8 and \$5 fees in return for a guarantee that recruits would pass the Armed Forces Services Vocational Aptitude Battery.

Cason's wife, SSgt. Rhonda Cason, also an area recruiter, sat tensely behind her husband's defense table. As the verdict was read, she exclaimed, "Oh my God," and tears began to well in her eyes.

The verdict was similarly received by a number of other recruiters who had packed the gallery.

Cason was relieved of his duties as station commander of an Army recruiting office in Oakland on Aug. 7 after a six-month analysis of 2000 entrance test sheets determined that 141 answer sheets had been altered.

In the course of a related

investigation by the CID, SSgt. Frank Gonzales and Sgt. Alice Alexander, two recruiters who worked under Cason, accused him of involvement in the scheme.

During the course of the trial the credibility and character of both Gonzales and Alexander were repeatedly attacked by Grace Wallace, a civilian lawyer who headed Cason's defense team.

Wallace suggested in her closing arguments that both Gonzales and Alexander sought retaliation against Cason when they accused him of approaching them for the fees.

She pointed out that Alexander had filed several sexual harassment charges against Cason and that Gonzales was upset by frequent clashes with him.

When the CID investigators approached the pair of "disgruntled" recruiters, Wallace claimed, "It was like mana from heaven."

She cited further evidence presented during the trial that both witnesses wavered on specific dates and incidents. Alexander had insisted that she was approached by Cason sometime in January, Wallace noted. Cason did not assume his duties until Jan. 31.

The government acknowledged defense evidence that Gonzales

wanted out of recruiting duty and that Alexander was guilty of numerous uniform violations. "Perhaps you think SSgt. Gonzales is a quitter," Capt. John McBride chief prosecutor in the case, told the court, "and perhaps you think Sgt. Alexander is a poor soldier and you may not like them for that." But McBride noted, the evidence clearly showed that 141 answer sheets were altered and that fact corroborated their testimony.

In his closing arguments, McBride also stated that Gonzales had received an Article 15 for his participation in the scheme. "No soldier in the Army accepts an Article 15 for something that didn't happen," claimed McBride.

The five-day trial was highlighted by frequent and fiery clashes between Wallace and the trial judge, Col. James Noble. Noble repeatedly issued stern warnings from the bench about Wallace's conduct during the trial.

The not guilty verdict clears the way for Cason to be promoted to sergeant first class and return to recruiting duties. A spokesman for the Western Region Recruiting Command at Fort Baker where Cason had been attached pending the outcome of the court martial, said that no decision had yet been reached on Cason's return to duty.

St. Patrick's Day parade

You might say that in San Francisco, March comes in like an O'Leary.

As the 17th approaches, citizens without a trace of green on their family trees are apt to add O's to their surnames and whoop about what happened to Mrs. Murphy's chowder.

The flag will go up on the city's St. Patrick's Day celebration at 11:30 a.m. on Friday (March 13) with

Mayor Dianne Feinstein and Ireland's Consul General Thelma Doran officiating at the traditional raising of the green-white-and-orange on the flagstaff at City Hall.

The weekend slate is highlighted by a snake race in Golden Gate Park on Saturday and a mammoth parade on Sunday.

A serpent sweepstakes will be held downtown on Tuesday, St. Paddy's

Day proper, amid the annual outbreak of green carnations, brogues and Old Bushmills.

Around 50 entries are expected in Steinhart Aquarium's fourth annual reptile derby starting at noon on Saturday. The wrigglers will compete in a series of heats in the courtyard of the California Academy of Sciences. Would-be participants without pets may borrow speedy specimens from Steinhart. Staff herpetologists will be on hand to talk about snakes, and Irish harpists, the Planxty Clarsach group, will play.

Budweiser's eight-horse hitch of magnificent Clydesdales will be here from St. Louis for the St. Patrick's parade.

Always a whopper, the procession will comprise 280 units and, according to parade director Renie Champagne, will take between three and four hours to pass any point along its 14-block route.

The streetcade will set out from Market and Second at 12:30 p.m. on Sunday and move west on Market, northwest on Golden Gate and south on Polk, passing the reviewing stand in front of City Hall.

As always, the parade will be preceded by a 10 a.m. mass honoring Ireland's patron saint in St. Patrick's Church, 756 Mission Street.

Zellerbach Plaza at Market and Sansome will be seized by hisseria at noon on Tuesday. Eighty snakes are expected to enter the chutes there. It will be the 14th year that KABL Radio Station has sponsored this event, a benefit for nonprofit Bay Area organizations.

The public is invited to the round of festivities planned by the United Irish Culture Center at 2700 45th Avenue.

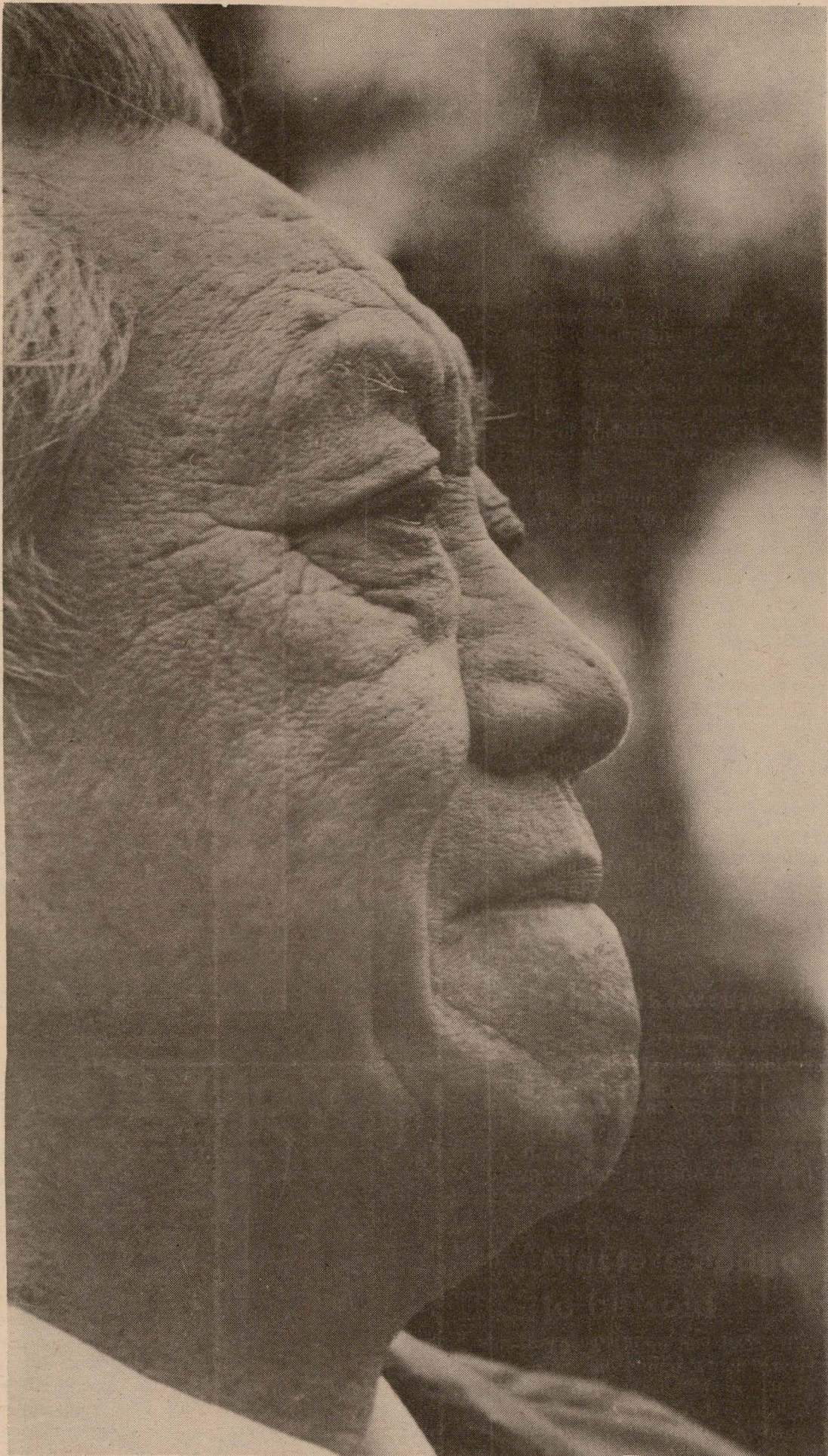


Quick capture

Steven C. Ansiello is subdued by a member of the audience and military police at the museum on Saturday. He caused a short disturbance in the ceremony when he jumped up from the crowd and began shouting anti war slogans. He was cited for disorderly conduct and trespassing. Katherine N. Kojimoto was also detained by MPs and cited for trespassing.

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442nd's reunion brought memories



The ceremony brings back old memories to a veteran of the unit. Photo by Jon Chelgren

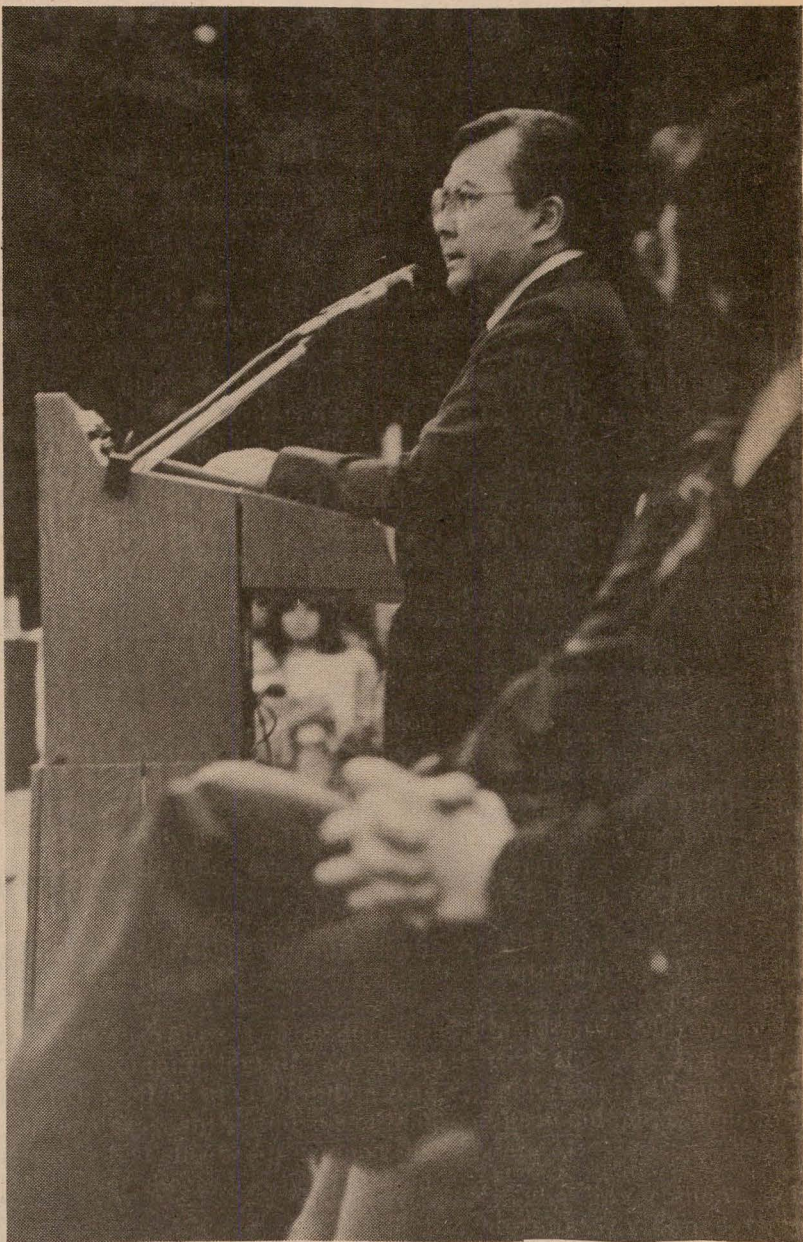


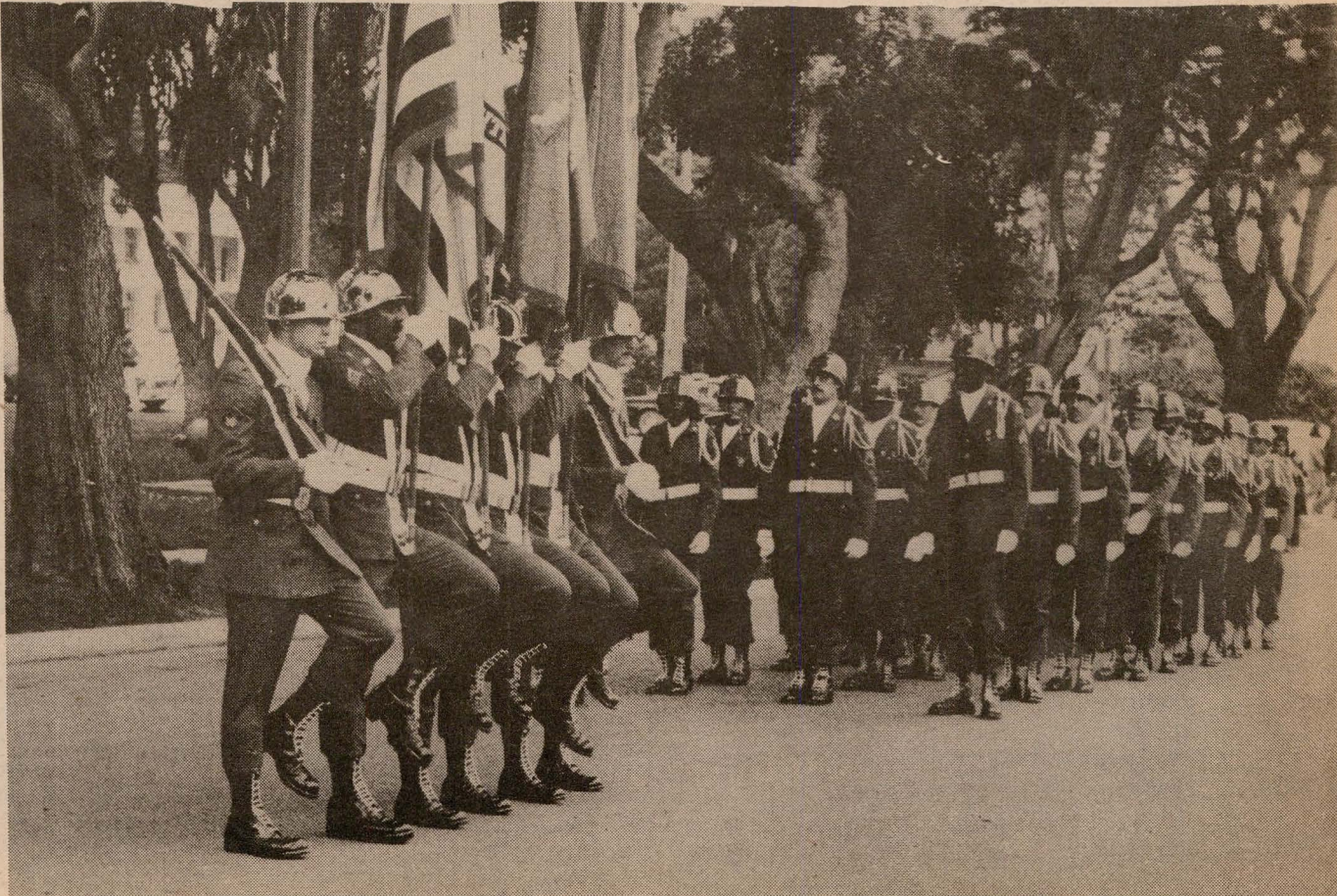
Photo by Jon Chelgren
U. S. Senator, Daniel Inouye, addresses fellow veterans



Photo by H. Kinoshita
From left, Kawaguchi, Mrs. Pence, Sen. Matsunaga, Mayor Feinstein, and Sen. Inouye cut the ribbon.



Photo by Jon Chelgren
The "Issei" chorus from Watsonville



The marching unit from Hq. Co., USAG and color guard. Photo by H. Kinoshita

Time to spare

Pool lessons offered on Thursdays

The Rec. Center urges everyone to join Hank and the gang every Thursday to **improve your skill at pool**. Learn trick shots and have a good time.

Golden State Warrior special discount mail order coupons are available for the games on Sunday at 2:30 p.m. and Mar. 25 at 7:30 p.m. against Denver.

Learn to make panoramic sugar-mold **easter eggs** starting Apr. 1 at 7:30 p.m. for 2 weeks. The cost for the class is \$8, and class space is limited so sign-up early.

Belly Dancing classes will start this Wednesday at the recreation center, at 8 p.m.. Cost for the four classes is \$15.

The outdoor recreation center is sponsoring a **scuba class** beginning April 28. A screen test will be conducted at the post swimming pool at 6:30 p.m. on the opening day.

They will also sponsor a **boat orientation class** for those wishing to check out boats this summer. The class is scheduled for Mar. 31 and Apr. 1 at 4:30 p.m. in Bldg. 92. Both classes are mandatory for anyone wishing to check out boats.

10 Salmon fishing trips are also scheduled by the outdoor rec. center. Trips are planned for Apr. 10, 12, May 15, June 19, July 7, 19, Aug. 9, 21, Sep. 11 and 13. Payment of \$32 per person must be made at least 6 weeks in advance of the trip. The cost includes transportation, rod and reel, bait and coffee.

For \$2 you can join the **Marin Headlands Day Hike** on March 28. The hike will be guided by a National Park Service Naturalist. Deadline for payment is March 24.

For additional information concerning these or other classes or events being sponsored by the Recreation Center, contact them at ext. 2000 after 4 p.m.

An **eight week quilting class** open to teenagers and adults will begin Mar. 28 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. at the Presidio Heights Playground, located at Clay and Walnut Streets. Students will learn basic patchwork, applique and quilting, also pattern enlarging, borders and mix and match. They will learn basic skills in the making of heirloom quilts. Students should know how to sew a simple running stitch. Cost for the class is \$5 and includes all supplies. For more information contact the Recreation and Parks Department at 558-4268.

On Thursday, March 26 at 7 p.m., the initial meeting of the Presidio **Modern Western Square Dance** Group will be held at the community center, Bldg. 1299. This group is being formed at the request of personnel interested in such an activity.

The group is open to all post personnel, military, dependents, civilians and retirees. Internationally known Bay Area instructor and caller, Doug Sanders, will be the leader of the group. Cost will be \$1.00 per person per evening. For additional information, please call the Recreation Center at Ext 2000 daily after 2 p.m.

The story is old, but the perspective is up-dated and brought into sharp focus by the film **The Gospel Road** to be shown on Sunday, March 15



One of Hank's students sharpens her pool skills at the post Recreation Center.

Photo by Tim Dewar

at the Fort Scott Chapel. The showing will begin at 7 p.m.

The Gospel Road, distributed by World Wide Pictures, was conceived and produced by Johnny Cash and his wife, June Carter Cash, whose desire was to tell the story of Jesus Christ in a realistic and meaningful way.

The film is a unique blend of scripture-based narrative, an abundant supply of specially written songs, and a series of in-depth character portrayals, with Israel itself as the mixing bowl.

You are there, walking beside the Jordan and the Sea of Galilee; you are there, seeing Him in many human situations that establish a practical and personal rapport with every viewer.

Presidio movie scene and flick preview

Presidio Theater

Mar. 14	Digby—The Biggest Dog in the World (G)	2 P.M.
Mar. 14	Goliathon (PG)	7 P.M.
Mar. 15	Nine-to-Five (PG)	7 P.M.
Mar. 16	Nine-to-Five (PG)	7 P.M.
Mar. 17	Nine-to-Five (PG)	7 P.M.
Mar. 18	Times Square (R)	7 P.M.
Mar. 19	The Island (R)	7 P.M.
Mar. 20	The Island (R)	7 P.M.

Schwartz Theater

Mar. 16	The Octagon (R)	7 P.M.
Mar. 17	Goliathon (PG)	7 P.M.
Mar. 18	Nine-to-Five (PG)	7 P.M.
Mar. 19	Nine-to-Five (PG)	7 P.M.
Mar. 20	Times Square (R)	7 P.M.

Presidio Preview

Times Square—Two teenage runaways dreaming of rock stardom (Trini Alvarado and Robin Johnson) befriend an all-night disc jockey (Tim Curry of "The Rocky Horror Picture Show").

Sports

Army sails past Navy 110 - 97

Story and photos by Jon Chelgren

In a rematch of last year's finals, The Army sailed past the Navy 110-97 in opening round action of the 1981 Interservice Basketball Tournament Tuesday night at the Presidio gym.

The Navy capitalized on early Army miscues as guard Keith McIntosh dropped 20 points and center Kevin D. Stinnett grabbed 14 before halftime.

In all the Army committed 13 turnovers in the early going and limped into the locker room facing a seven point deficit, 48-41.

But it was a different Army team that came onto the floor for the second half. The Army pulled ahead 55-54 with 16 minutes left on a baseline jumper by forward Larry Warren of the Presidio.

Guard Ricky Boynton later hit two consecutive layups off the fast break to pull out to a seven point lead at 61-54.

The second half featured the debut of the Army's latest secret weapon, center Thomas Blue, who repeatedly brought the crowd to its feet with his tap ins, stuff shots and virtually unchallenged control of the boards. He took a Boynton feed for a stuff shot with three and a half minutes left to up the score to 100-84.

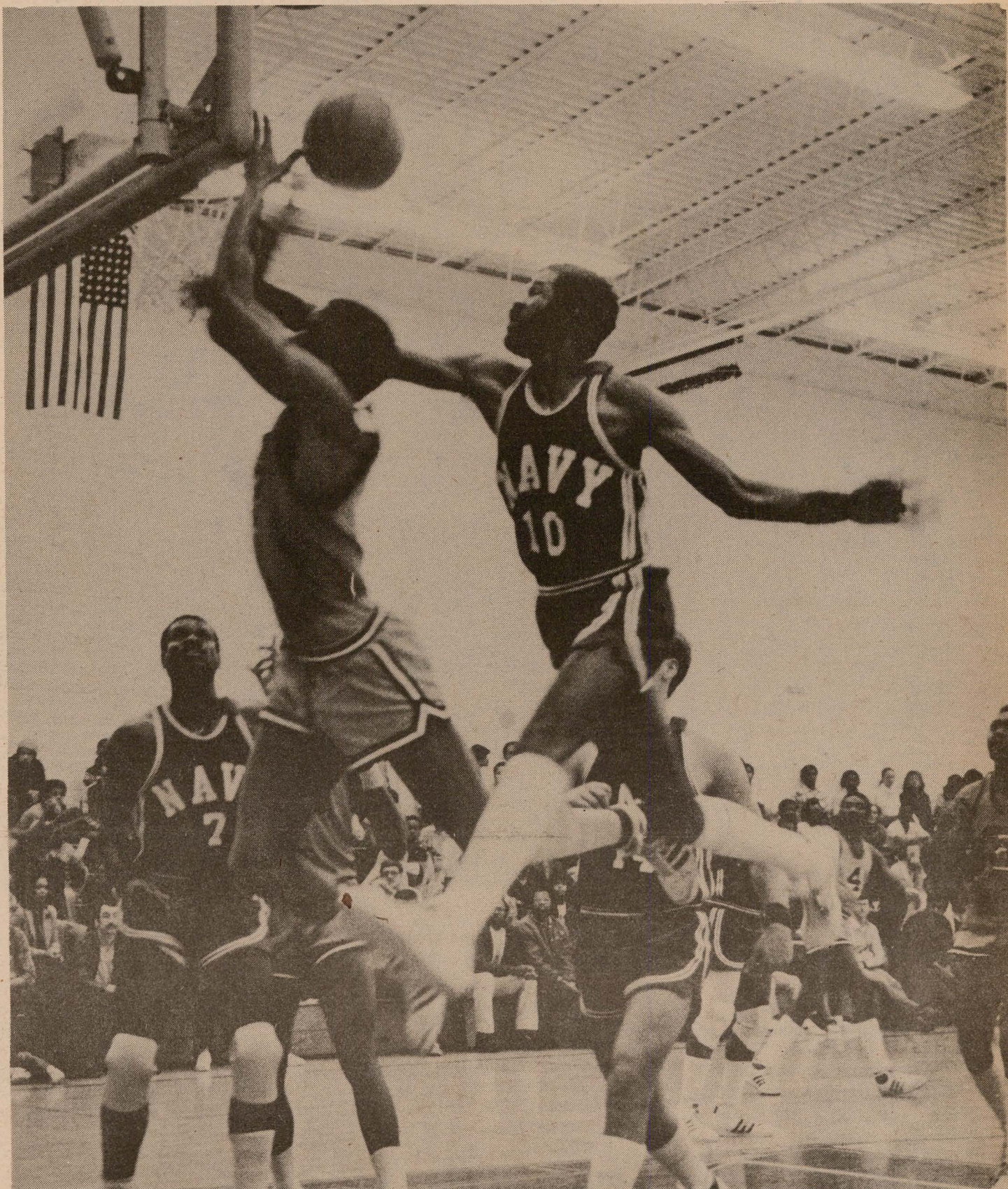
While the crowd chanted, "Blue! Blue!" All-Army veteran Larry Warren quietly worked his magic enroute to high scoring honors with a 30 point performance. He also had five steals.

Blue finished the evening with 20 points and led rebounding with 17. Boynton grabbed 11.

Leading the Navy were McIntosh with 29 points, forward Lee Foye and Stinnett with 22 apiece.

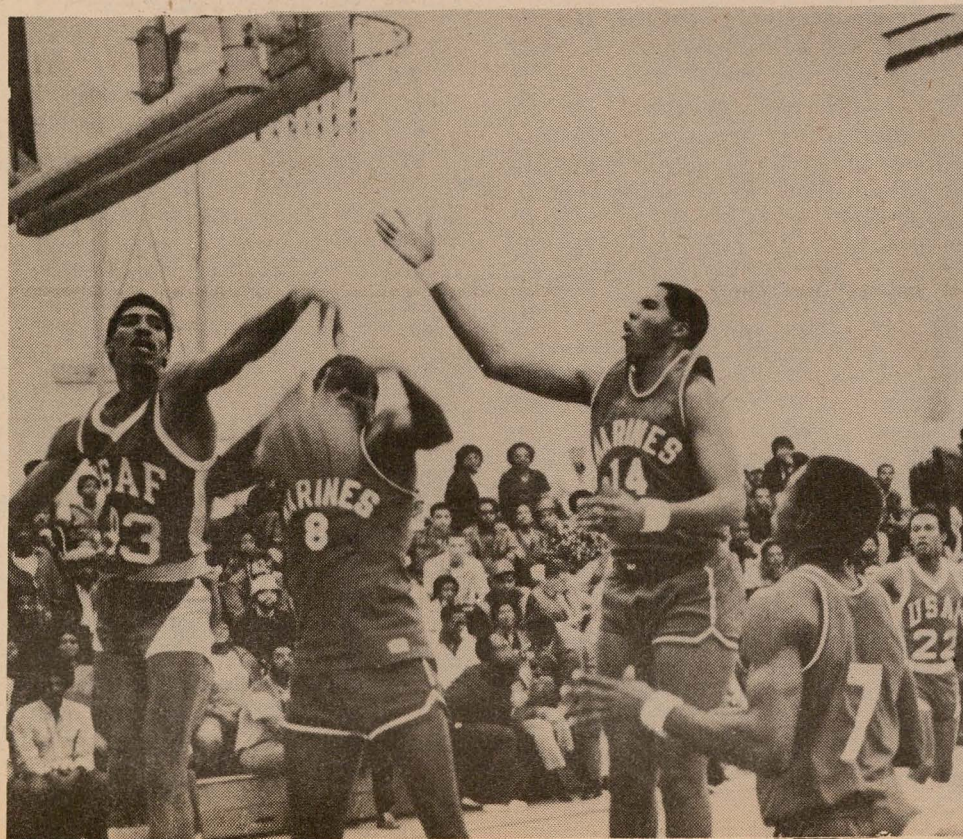
Asked what changes he made in the second half, Army coach Alex Scott smiled and said, "I didn't really change anything. I just cussed them out real good during the half."

Should the Army continue into tonight's finals, it could be the ninth consecutive year that they have taken the championship.



Navy forward Richard McGuire blocks Army forward Petty Fisher's shot.

Air Force downs Marines 95-83



AF forward Jachariah Perkins breaks up a shot by MC center Keith Willis (No. 8).

Story and photo by Jon Chelgren

The Air Force sped past the Marine Corps 95-83 as the 1981 Interservice Basketball Tournament got underway at the Presidio gym Tuesday night.

In the first game of the tourney, the Air Force relied on the shooting, rebounding and defensive play of forward Jachariah Perkins for the win.

The Marines ran up an early five point lead before the score evened out at 25 apiece midway through the first half.

With only a minute remaining in the period, Perkins came on with back to back steals which ended in stuff shots to push the Air Force to a 41-33 halftime lead.

A third steal by forward Calvin Hunter ended in a foul with Hunter hitting both free throws.

The Air Force's fast break speed proved too much for Marines as the "fly boys" maintained a seven point lead through most of the final period.

But with just one minute remaining, Marine guard Curtis Turner hit a pair of free throws to close the gap to 86-83.

Perkins took the ball on a fast break and fed guard Kenneth Pearson who was fouled while shooting. Pearson dropped both free throws.

The Air Force then ran off nine straight points before time expired.

Hunter and Perkins finished the night with 22 and 21 points respectively while the Marine Corps Keith Willis and Lee Moore lead their team with 16 and 12 points.

Pearson led the Air Force with six assists and also had four steals, while Perkins tallied two steals and four blocked shots.

The Air Force and the Army were scheduled to meet last night to determine who would ride the winners' bracket into the double elimination finals.

Presidio News Notes



Photo of the week

This familiar scene was photographed by Leonard G. Savers of the Toxicology Department at LAIR. His work will go on to compete with other winners for top

photo of the quarter honors. Bring your entries to Building 37, room 216.

Leaders wanted

WANTED: Adult leadership for the American Red Cross "Summer Youth" volunteer program at LAMC. This program introduces the young volunteer to the inside workings of the hospital.

If you are interested in helping to set up and conduct this program, please contact Mrs. Morrow in the Red Cross office, Room 355, phone 561-2180/2187.

Sunday school

The Protestant Sunday School program is now beginning its third quarter. All parents who are interested in enrolling their children should call Stephen Miller or Jay Parks at 4440/3535 or come by the religious activities center Sunday at 9 a.m. to register.

They have classroom space available for children 3 years old through high school age youth.

Drug Council

The Alcohol and Drug Dependency Intervention Council (ADDIC) will meet at 9 a.m. Wednesday in the PSF Conference room, Bldg. 220. Questions or comments should be directed to Major McKenzie, ADCO, Extension 3784.

Smoke stoppers

A free Smokestoppers introductory lecture will be held on Monday at 4:30 p.m. in the commanders conference room, Bldg. 220. Smokestop-

pers is a one-week smoke cessation program that emphasizes the quick withdrawal technique. There is also a money back guarantee. Questions/comments concerning this program should be directed to Major McKenzie, 3701/5730 or Ms. Judy Wachs 924-3420.

Ladies' Night

The NCO/Enlisted Club is featuring, by popular demand, another "Ladies' Night" featuring spectacular dancers on Monday. Enjoy the food buffet at 6:00 p.m. prior to watching the show at 7:00 p.m. Don't forget our Country and Western Nights every Friday.

Irish Special

There will be an Irish Special dinner and dance on Tuesday. Come on out to the wildest wearing of the green anywhere. Reservations are recommended. Drop by the Wine Tasting Room on Wednesday prior to partaking of the Special Italian Dinner. Crab Cioppino to include clams, prawns, and fish along with spaghetti. All you can eat. Enjoy the live Country and Western Band "California Zephyr" in the Attic Lounge next Friday, from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m.

Stress workshop

If you are successfully handling your stress, there's no reason to change; but, if you're dealing with stress that doesn't go away or keeps mounting, maybe it's time to do something about it.

The Letterman Army Medical

Center, Social Work Service is sponsoring a stress skills workshop which may be of benefit to you. The workshop begins on Friday April 3 from 7-9 p.m. at the Child Care Center, Building 950. Other sessions will be held on the first and third Friday of April and May.

This workshop will be presented by professional social workers from 6253d US Army Hospital, 113th Medical Detachment. The Stress Clinic is sponsored by the Joint Services Child Care Project in affiliation with Social Work Service, Letterman Army Medical Center and the two Reserve Units.

All Department of Defense ID card holders are welcome. There is no fee, although participants may want to buy a personal workbook for \$5. Further information and advance registration may be obtained by calling the LAMC Social Work Department at 561-2174.

Youth rally

The Post Chapel Youth Rally to be held on Tuesday at 7 p.m. will feature a performance by the singing group Hosana.

Their experience has included a variety of appearances on Christian television—Nancy Harmon's Love Special, Trinity Broadcasting Network, and Praise the Lord Club (live from Anaheim, California). They have performed in assemblies locally and throughout California and have given concerts at youth detention centers, prisons, and numerous schools, colleges, and amusement parks.

The group has toured the South Pacific Islands, Samoa and Hawaii.

Quilting class

A quilting class will begin on Mar. 25 and run every Wednesday evening, 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. for six weeks duration. This class covers sewing machine applique of baby quilts and baskets. Individuals must be able to bring their own sewing machine to class. Class fee is \$10.00.

Free puppies

Free to nice home, two black and white terrier mix, eight week old puppies. For more information, call Mr. Morton at 661-5991.

Mechanic class

Good mechanics are hard to find. Neither vehicle owners nor vehicle service employers can tell easily which mechanics are competent to diagnose and repair vehicle problems. The National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (NAISE) Certification Program offers a practical way to provide qualified mechanics with the recognition and improved status they deserve.

By participating in this program you will help to professionalize your occupation, increase your career opportunities, improve your chances for higher pay and gain recognition in your community as someone who is dedicated to automotive service excellence.

Registration deadline for automotive, Heavy-duty truck, Body repair and painting and refinishing tests is April 6, 1981.

Call the Ft Scott Education Center or the LAMC Education Center for more information.

Presidio resident killed in car accident

Two women were killed and a three year old boy seriously injured in a one car accident on Interstate 5 early Sunday.

Sun Hui Reed, a resident of the Presidio, and Young Suk Quakenbush, 23, were pronounced dead at the scene of the accident which occurred just north of Weed, CA. Quakenbush's son Eric was taken to Mercy Hospital in Redding suffering from multiple injuries.

As of yesterday morning, he had not regained

consciousness since the accident. A hospital spokesman reported that his condition had improved somewhat since undergoing surgery on Monday. He is still reported to be in guarded condition and is being kept in the hospital's intensive care unit.

Mrs. Reed and Mrs. Quackenbush were returning from Tacoma where they had been visiting friends. At about 6 a.m. as they were approaching the city of Weed, the car, driven by Mrs. Reed,

went out of control at the Edgewood Crossing overpass.

The vehicle crossed over the centerline, went off the left side of the road, and fell to the pavement below, according to the California Highway report.

Mrs. Reed is survived by her husband, Sgt. Jonathon Reed, who is assigned to the 163rd Military Police Company here at the Presidio.

A memorial service will be held tomorrow at the Ft. Scott Chapel at 2 p.m.

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It's official-No more pay parking

A message received Tuesday from the Defense Department officially brings to end the collection of parking fees here at the Presidio.

According to Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., post commander, the message says that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) was rescinding President Carter's pay-to-park order effective Mar. 14.

No reason was given in the message and no official link was made between the decision to rescind the policy and a court order by a federal judge in Washington D.C. last week.

In that action, U.S. District

Judge Harold H. Greene ordered the federal government to stop charging military personnel and civilian employees for parking spaces because he found the government acted illegally when it started the program. He says it was invalid because the program had not been approved by Congress.

However, neither Judge Greene's ruling nor the message received from the Defense Department addresses the question of whether those who have been paying to park will get any money back. Parking fees of \$10 have been paid by many Presidians since the program began in November 1979.

Ironically, the decision by OMB to rescind the parking fee policy comes only one week after they returned the Presidio's latest appeal to overturn the policy with the comment, "not favorably considered."

Hall says "We have been trying ever since the policy went into effect to show OMB how inappropriate it is here at the Presidio. We submitted common sense reasons on several occasions and when that failed, we appealed their decision a couple of times." He added that Presidio officials were again gathering facts for yet another appeal when the OMB decision was received.

A new parking policy for the Presidio will be announced around

April 1, according to Maj. William A. Vencill, headquarters commandant and parking policy manager. He said details of the new parking policy need to be worked out with the tenant unit commanders and their staffs but preliminaries indicate fewer reserve parking spaces and more spaces allocated to car and van pool vehicles.

Hall points out that the rescinding of the pay-to-park policy in no way means a reduction in the energy-saving measures which prompted its being instituted in the beginning. He encourages car pooling and use of public transportation in an effort to cut down on gasoline consumption and pollution.

Four arrests this week

A soldier assigned to the Presidio was arrested this weekend by military police and charged with possession of cocaine and marijuana.

The suspect, whose identity is being withheld pending completion of the investigation, was taken into custody outside the NCO Club at 10:20 p.m. on Saturday.

A quarter of an ounce of cocaine and an undetermined amount of marijuana were seized. The case is being handled by the CID.

James D. Young of San Francisco was apprehended on Saturday night by military police and charged with unlawful entry and possession of marijuana.

At around 7:30 p.m., a military police unit on routine patrol noticed Young sitting in his car at the viewpoint near Washington and Lincoln. He was drinking from what appeared to be a beer bottle.

When the MPs approached the car, they saw several more open bottles and detected a strong odor of marijuana. They also found three marijuana cigarettes in the car's ash tray.

A further search of Young's car produced two plastic bags of marijuana and a smoking device containing marijuana residue.

Young was searched and taken to the military police station where he was cited and released.

Paul R. Gianni of Foster City and Dennis B. Bopp of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, were arrested on Sunday and charged with unlawful entry and possession of marijuana.

When MPs approached the two suspects under the Golden Gate Bridge in East Ft. Baker, one of them reportedly attempted to hide something in the bushes. Upon searching the area, the MPs found a plastic bag containing marijuana.

Funeral services held for family housing employee

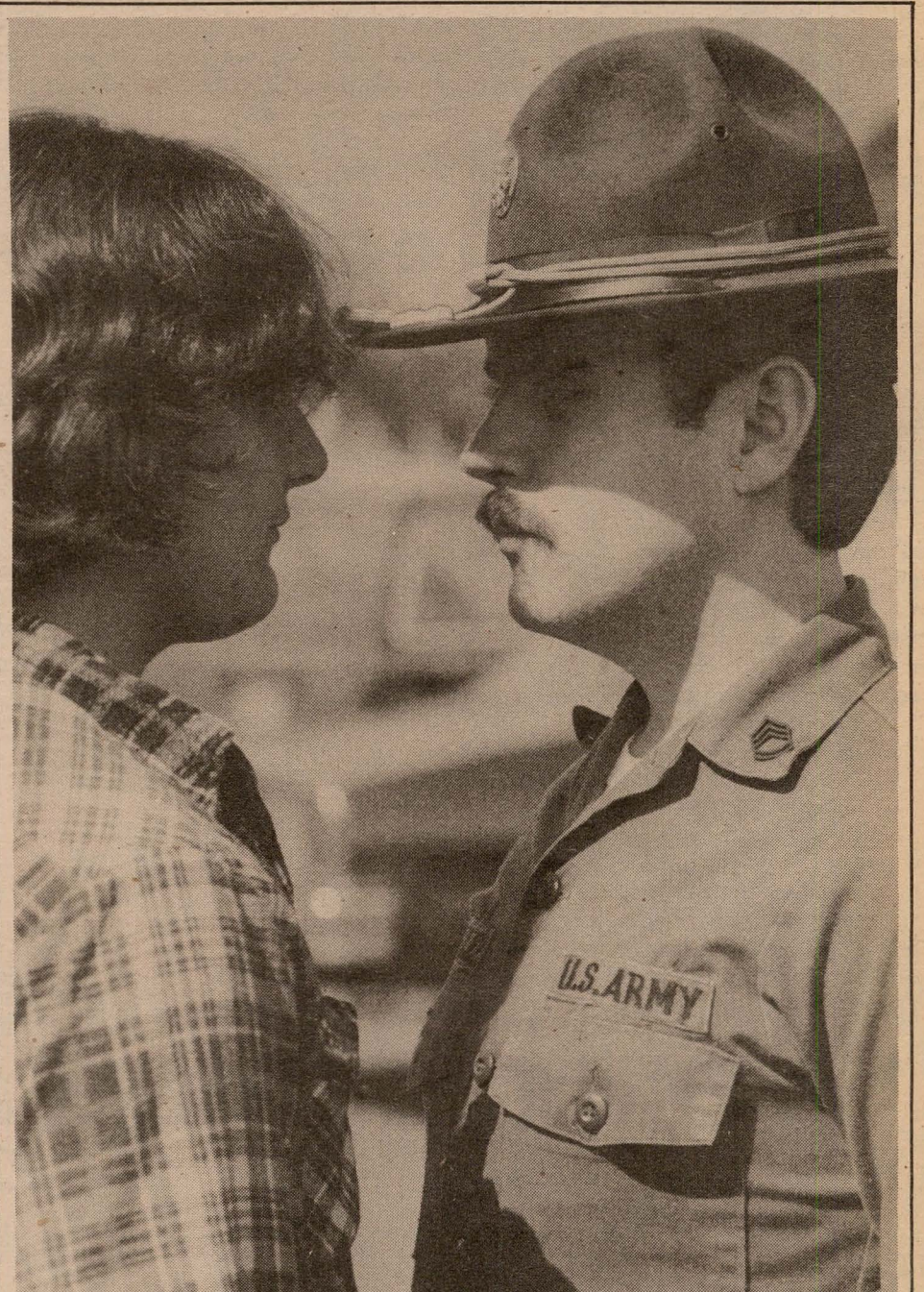
Funeral Services were held for MSgt. (Ret) Edward Roberts on Saturday at the Parent Funeral Home in Petaluma.

Roberts, was a Civil Service employee on the Presidio since 1969.

He was also a member of the Presidio Yacht Club. A native of Hamlin, West Virginia, Roberts worked as a supply clerk, in budget analysis and in June 1973 moved to Family Housing where he worked

until his death Wednesday, after a sudden illness. He was pronounced dead on arrival at Letterman Army Medical Clinic after MPs found him unconscious in his car.

The father of three, Roberts is survived by his wife, Masako S. Roberts of Petaluma, two daughters, Paula J. Roberts of Davis, CA., Babbette Ann Roberts of Petaluma and one son, James A. Roberts of Monterey, three brothers and his father, Leonard Roberts of Hamlin, West Virginia.



Look into my eyes

photo by Max Woerner

18-year-old John Pool of Castro Valley meets his first drill sergeant, Sergeant First Class Salvador Gonzales of Vallejo, during a one-day intense pre-basic training course in Vallejo. See related story on page three.

Opinion

Civilian supervisors have unique role

Editor,

Some time ago, Ramblin Sam received some responses about training that led me to ask what a civilian supervisor's role is in training soldiers who work for him or her. One civilian supervisor gave me the following letter in response. I agree heartily and urge every Department of the Army civilian to study this, then carry out training responsibilities with professional enthusiasm.

F. Whitney Hall, Jr.

For many years it has been common place to find a civilian manager, supervisor or skilled technician in a position of authority over members of the uniformed service. At the same time, there have been occasions where such an arrangement has caused friction between the civilian supervisors and those supervised. Such friction may have been caused by lack of authority, lack of knowledge or the basic lack of understanding roles and responsibilities.

Further, it appears that a recurring theme of complaints made by uniformed members is their lack of training. Civilian supervisors, as well as military supervisors of military personnel must familiarize themselves with their soldiers' training needs. A basic supervisory duty is to identify the training needs of subordinates and insure that such training is provided.

Soldiers, regardless of their peacetime mission, must (not should or perhaps, but MUST) stay well practiced in the basic skills of soldier-



Photo by Bill Craig

ing, marksmanship, first aid, squad and platoon tactics, NBC and the all important physical fitness. The civilian supervisor must never intentionally promote, tolerate or endorse a practice which would detract from such training. The training of service members in the skills of soldiering ranks at the top of any priority list.

Another most important aspect of a soldier's career is vocational training and, here again, there occur feelings that civilian supervisors do not take the time to adequately train their soldiers.

Perhaps it is easy for civilian supervisors to lose sight of the basic difference between themselves and the military they supervise. In essence, a civilian hired to accomplish a job is already trained in this skill. He or she, once achieving

the status of a supervisor, has gained the basic and advanced manual and technical skills to do a job. On the other hand, soldiers assigned may not have progressed beyond the basic skill level.

Advanced Individual Training (AIT) has never been intended to be the last phase of training. Although the name might be misleading, AIT is a primary schooling process. The job site, your shop or office, is where the advanced training should begin and you are responsible, at least in part, for the instruction.

Again, with few exceptions, soldiers are required to be evaluated for promotion and assignments. These evaluations come in the form of Skill Qualification Tests (SQT), board reviews and efficiency reports. The Army is always in need of those individuals who continue to seek

education, accept the challenge of ever-difficult assignments and strive for self-improvement. You, as a supervisor, can be one of the greatest aids or one of the biggest obstacles to these deserving soldiers.

Your signature on a soldier's job book, your evaluation of proficiency, your recommendations to a board—all of these carry considerable weight and importance. Therefore, your responsibilities should never be taken lightly. You must allow training and development. You must be open to allowing a soldier to improve through hands-on experience. If you shut these doors, you have closed off the educational process and perhaps, ended a promising career.

It is not easy to be a civilian supervisor of military personnel. It requires dedication, effort and a willingness to allow growth. It requires a mature, well-balanced sense of priorities. Add to this the requirement to have the capability to deal with pressure brought about by mission deadlines. No, it isn't easy and that's perhaps why not everyone becomes a civilian supervisor or remains such.

Yours is a unique role. You are a "boss," a supervisor and an important cog in the machine. You are also an instructor, an advisor and evaluator. You too are molding the future NCO's, senior NCO's and leaders of the Army, just as your example and leadership help to train our Army civilian component. Your experience is part of the future foundation of the Army in years to come. These responsibilities are far too important to be taken lightly or ignored altogether.

Letters to the Editor

Readers respond to swift pen

Dear Mr. K. Douglas Cook:

As a long time member of both the Presidio and San Francisco communities, I take exception to your letter published in the March 12th edition of the STAR PRESIDIAN.

I started your letter with a touch of amusement knowing fully well that the Chief, Command Information was just poking a little fun at San Francisco. You very quickly dispelled my first impression by proceeding to find fault with the citizens of the city (everyone is a pan-handler?), the main cafeteria the bank, post office, drivers, youth, Marin, Sonoma, the Highway Patrol, merchants, other military, the gay community, et al. You certainly have made a valiant effort to tear down all the steps others have made to develop a friendly relationship between the military and civilian communities.

I am appalled at the fact that your swift pen and small mind were even represented as a view from a member of the Presidio Community.

Most of us, both military and civilian, have taken the time and effort to find, and participate in, the many wonderful offerings in and around the Bay Area. I don't even feel it is necessary to expound on the benefits of the area as I am sure the majority of persons can see them just by looking around.

Mr. Cook, if you are truly that bitter and cynical, I suggest that you find a deserted island where you can find great pleasure in only yourself without having to seek the bad side of everything and everyone else.

A letter of apology from you, and from the staff of the STAR PRESIDIAN for publishing such drivel is certainly in order.

Jim Payton

Dear Mr. Cook,

I think the story of San Francisco that the head of the Star Presidian wrote was very cruel. I am a native of San Francisco, and the city is the location of the First United Nations. I feel shocked with this column. I think the city has the best climate in the world. I am a true lover of the French Bread and many Restaurants here.

I am a true lover of the Golden Gate Bridge, Nob Hill, Coit Tower, Chinatown, Mission Delores, Golden Gate Park, Ghirardelli Square, Cannery, Fisherman's Wharf, Free College, Embarcadero Center, Multi-Cultures, and the Pacific Ocean. The best of the best is the Presidio with its beauty. The brave soldiers that help the people in San Francisco during the Great Earthquake and Fire. Herb Caen is the best for the morale of this city.

San Francisco the land of plenty

The center of love

The place for changes that start first

Bank of America was founded here (Money that got the American Hostages out of Iran)

More Movies filmed here

Most Army people retire in San Francisco

Yours truly,
MATTHEW J. NELSON

Action Line

Cars blocking residential trash pick-up

We live in the Pershing Housing area. Our dumpsters are located adjacent to the carport. Cars are always parked in front of them and the trash collectors are not able to pick up the garbage. Can anything be done to keep people from parking in front of the dumpsters?

Name withheld by request

Work order requests dated Dec. 15, were submitted to the Directorate of Facilities Engineering to do the following:

1. Fabricate and install 63 "No Parking" signs on curbs where dumpsters are located. These signs will also indicate the time and dates of trash collection.

2. Paint the curb areas in red around each location where a sign is to be installed.

The Housing Division is fully aware of this problem. However, the work cannot be accomplished until the material for the signs is received by DFAE. Please have patience.

Nelly Bennetto
Chief, Family Housing

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Recruits sample Army life

Story and photos by Max Woerner

Forty-five young men and women from the Oakland Bay Area got a first hand look at their future—and saw it was green.

Shortly after sunrise at Oakland Army Base, on Saturday, the 45 were met by drill sergeants from the 1st Battalion, 3/362nd Regiment, 2nd Brigade of the 91st Division and bused to the unit's facility in Vallejo, where they began a one-day intense pre-basic training course.

Through an arrangement with the San Francisco District Recruiting Command in Alameda, and the 91st Division (Training) at Fort Baker, this pilot program was designed to give young men and women in the Delayed Entry Program (DEP) an opportunity to gain a head start on their Army training.

During the course of the day, the drill instructor, in full uniform, completed with campaign hats, taught military courtesy, wearing of the Army uniform, close order drill (lesson one—how to stay in step) and physical training. They also got a look at the M-16 rifle and a taste of Army chow.

"I love it," says SFC James R. Griffiths, "It's good training for the drill sergeants and the 'DEPS' don't go into basic training cold."

Michael Sergeant, an 18-year-old from Pinole, said, "Now I know what to expect when I get into training. I should have a little edge on everybody."



Michael Sargent, 18, of Pinole, dismantles an M-16 rifle with the help of Sgt. S. E. McCarty of Vallejo.

This is not the first time this has been done. Company B, 1st Battalion, 360th Regiment, 1st Brigade (OSUT) of the 91st has been teaching delayed entry basic training for almost two years. Each drill weekend in Stockton, they teach 30 to 40 trainees.

The 91st Division (Training) is the largest Reserve unit in Northern California and one of two training divisions on the West Coast. The 91st or "Wild West" Division has the mission of teaching basic and advanced individual training.

According to MP report

Crime rate is increasing here

Statistics released last week by the office of the provost marshal indicate the crime is on the rise in the Presidio.

The report, which compares 1980 crime figures with those of 1979, shows that there has been a marked increase in all but three of the categories of offenses on which records are kept.

In crimes of violence, three of the four categories showed an increase over last year. A single murder was a 100% jump from 1979.

Rape cases were reported to have increased by 31% and five robberies represented a 36% jump from the previous year. Only the category of

aggravated assault showed a decrease with nine cases reported, a 36% decline.

Burglary and auto theft were down while larceny was on the rise in the portion of the report called crimes against property. Fifteen burglaries took place compared to XX in 1979 while 11 cars were stolen, two less than last year. 377 larcenies represented an increase of 6%.

Also on the rise in 1980 were the use and possession of dangerous drugs or marihuana and the sale of dangerous drugs. There was a 63% jump this year in arrests for the use and possession of dangerous drugs.

MP officials have indicated that

there has been a marked increase in the detection of cocaine recently. Arrests made for the use or possession of marihuana rose to 84, an increase of 48%.

Similarly, arrests for the sale of dangerous drugs showed a significant rise during the past year. Arrests in this category rose by 40% while those for the sale of marihuana declined by 44%.

The San Francisco CID Field Office reported that, of the 169 felony cases which it investigated last year, 58 were referred to unit commanders for disposition. Of these, Reports of Commander's Action were received on only 35.

Registration deadline continued

The ownership and possession of a weapon is a right guaranteed by law to all fully franchised citizens of this country. As with every right, however, there is also a responsibility.

Army regulations direct that individuals and families living on post must register all firearms with the Provost Marshal's office. This requirement cannot be waived and failure to comply can lead to disciplinary action.

Recently, an announcement was made to all personnel residing on the Presidio and federal lands controlled by the post to register their weapons. According to the Provost Marshal's office, people may have missed this requirement or were unaware of it.

Therefore, the registration period for all previously unregistered weapons is being continued. According to

Maj. John Maybin, deputy provost marshal, the registration process is simple and painless.

"The regulation requires that the owner of a weapon complete two cards. These cards can be mailed or brought to us in person. We do not have to see the weapon to complete the procedure," he added.

Which weapons must be registered is also an important point. In some cases, certain slingshots may fall under this requirement, so it is best to contact the Provost Marshal's office to be sure. The number to use is 561-3810.

Under the regulations, a person has 72 hours upon arrival at a duty station to register a weapon. Local authorities, however, understand that delays may occur, so they are willing to register a weapon beyond the deadline.

Failure to register a private weapon can cause problems for on-post residents. If a weapon is stolen, used in the commission of a crime or discovered to be part of an incident, there is a very real possibility that the owner of the weapon will be liable for action, if the weapon is unregistered.

Military personnel residing off federal property should check with local law enforcement authorities to determine if there is a registration requirement.

If you own a weapon and have not registered it with the Provost Marshal's office, be certain to take the few minutes necessary to do so. Any questions you might have can be answered by calling 561-3810 or by stopping by the Provost Marshal's office, Building 36 during normal duty hours.

Army update

Prayer breakfast

The Annual National Prayer Breakfast will be held March 25 at the Presidio Officers' Club. All military and civilian personnel are asked to support this event. Staff sections and commanders are asked to designate a point of contact person for ticket sales, and notify Chaplain Mask or SP6 Hillhouse, 4239/4719, of the named designee. A meeting of the POC persons will be held at the Religious Activities Center, Bldg. 682, on March 16 at 10 a.m.

The guest speaker for the event will be, Colonel Heath Bottomly, an associate staff member of the Military Ministry of Campus Crusade for Christ International. He was born in Chinook, Montana on September 30, 1919.

He graduated from the University of Montana, from the United States Military Academy at West Point and received a master's degree in International Relations from George Washington University in 1963.

During World War II, Colonel Bottomly flew a P-38 combat tour in the Southwest Pacific. He commanded the first jet squadron in the Far East at Yokota, Japan in 1945. He returned to the United States in 1946, in time to take part in the first jet flight across the Atlantic Ocean.

Exhibits wanted

Units or Organizations interested in providing displays or exhibits during Armed Forces Week-81 should contact Sixth Army coordinator, Cpt. Jimmy O. Jacobs, at ext 561-3952/3861, not later than April 15.

Ethnic contacts

The Presidio Human Resources Development Division is looking for civilian points-of-contact to represent the interests of ethnic groups during cultural events.

In addition, they will plan and conduct activities in recognition of traditional and non-traditional ethnic celebrations.

Those wishing to participate or who would like more information should contact Sgt. Dyson at 5730/3701.

Furlough fare

Air New England, a regional carrier providing service to various eastern cities, will extend the 50 percent reserved fare to all of their routes.

This brings the total number of carriers in the program to 17. Air New England offers the fare without any expiration dates, restrictions or blackout dates.

All the carriers offering the 50% furlough fare to active duty military personnel will extend the original expiration date of March 31, 1981 to August 31, 1981.

For additional information on participating carriers, contact the Scheduled Airline Ticket Office at ext. 2920 or the Personnel Movements Section at ext. 3039/3223.

Housing inspections reveal deficiencies

by Tim Dewar

Praise for the decrease in energy use, and warnings of "keep your yards clean" are coming from the Presidio Family Housing Office.

"We have been enforcing energy conservation," says Mrs. Nelly Bennetto of the family housing office. "If someone leaves their outside lights on during the day, we knock on the door and tell them to turn it off." She indicated that post residents have done a good job in reducing their use of energy.

But along with the praise comes warnings. "The first letter we give housing residents when we find something wrong during an inspection notes the deficiencies," explains Bennetto.

If the deficiency has not been corrected before second inspection, the occupants receive another letter from the housing office. The second one warns the occupant that they failed to correct the deficiency and must do so before the next inspection.

"After the second notice, if no correction is made, the division sends a letter through the Post Commander to the occupant stating that they

must correct the discrepancy or face possible eviction," states Bennetto.

She also adds, "The post commander has the option to evict or provide a proposed termination of quarters and occupants are given 30 days to reply. If they are evicted they have 15 days to vacate."

But this happens in only the most severe cases, according to Bennetto. She emphasized that all of the discrepancies that could possibly turn into severe cases may be found on the inspection roster and can easily be corrected by going to the self service center and obtaining the necessary items.

"We check to see if the lawn is properly cut, not less than an inch and half long or more than two inches, and that it is properly maintained. This includes seeding, watering, fertilizing, and weeding," she explained.

Bennetto added that housing inspectors also check the edging by walks, driveways and curbs, and make sure that all holes have been filled and reseeded. "Also on our list are trees and shrubs, flowers and plants, and the general area," she concluded.



Photo by Tim Dewar
Pvt. Tracy Hodges writes a warning to a family housing occupant

Soldiers to have new look by 1985

Washington (ARNEWS)—Over the next four years, some soldiers may have to replace several items in their initial-clothing bag to comply with the "new" Army look. By 1985, say uniform officials at the Department of Army (DA), all soldiers will have a distinctive green dress uniform, black outer wear and camouflage fatigues.

The "new" Army look will reduce the number of uniforms now authorized for wear by soldiers. For example, some soldiers now wear the starched fatigues, others wear the wash-and-wear fatigues, and still others the new battledress type of fatigues. In addition, women soldiers are allowed to wear either the male or female fatigues.

Officials say requiring soldiers to dress alike will help promote unit cohesion. Also, the new consolidate look will help prevent uniform policy violations that result from soldiers improperly mixing the various uniform items now in use.

The future military look for both men and women consists of a year-round green uniform (slacks and skirt for women), green service shirt (short and long sleeves), black all-weather coat and camouflage fatigues.

All clothing items, except the year-round dress outfit, have begun to appear in the Army supply system. Officials expect the year-round uniform to be introduced in the system by fiscal year 1982.

The Army has set Sept. 30, 1985, as the wear out date for the following items: wash-and-wear fatigues; fatigue cap; tan uniform; poplin shirt; green raincoat; green overcoat; mint-green uniform; and the white blouse. Although soldiers may continue to wear the wash-and-wear fatigues until 1985, they must own one set of the battledress fatigues by Oct. 1, 1982; two by Oct. 1, 1983; three by Oct. 1, 1984; and four by Oct. 1, 1985.

Further, the women's cord uniform no longer will be authorized for wear after Sept. 30, 1981. The optional green windbreaker and green sweater, too, will be outdated on Sept. 30, 1983.

Uniform officials remind soldiers not issued the new items upon join-

ing the Army that they will be required to possess them when the current items become outdated. The officials point out the monthly clothing monetary allowance is paid to enlisted soldiers to help replace clothing issued during initial entry training. The amount soldiers receive each year is based on how long the issued items are expected to last and the price per item.

In FY 81, for example, the monthly CMA for soldiers with more than three years of service is \$12.60 for women and \$10.20 for men. This figure is slightly lower for those soldiers under three years of service.

Until the wear-out dates of the various items take effect, soldiers may continue wearing the current uniform items.

Golden Gate U. offers graduate study on post

Golden Gate University will offer selected courses at the Presidio of San Francisco, beginning with the Summer semester, the week of May 18.

The courses lead toward the M. B. A. degree in Management, and the M. B. A. degree in Health Services Administration.

The Summer 1981 schedule will consist of two courses.

Managerial Accounting for Man-

agers is an introduction in the use of accounting information for the planning and control of a firm or organization's operations; application of cost accounting techniques for budgeting, pricing and decision-making; cost-volume relationship, contribution analysis, relevant costs, behavioral aspects, responsibility accounting, and capital investment evaluation.

It will run on Mondays from 5:30-8:15 p.m. This accounting course is

required of all MBA candidates who have not already completed a year of introductory accounting.

Human & Organizational Factors in Health Care Administration places emphasis on human values and organization; awareness of one's own values in a determination of behavior, understanding values as one part of the conflict system, and values as a factor in organizational design; various approaches to motivation, peer review and quality

assessment; understanding organizational design, the nature of the environment, and the people involved; recent theory that has enabled designers of organizations to design more effectively and humanely.

Sessions will be held on Thursdays from 6:30-9:15 p.m. Further information about these degree programs will be presented by representatives of Golden Gate University on Tuesday, April 28, 5-6 p.m. at Building 1216, Ft. Scott.

MPs arrest two shoplifters, investigate apparent accident

Two persons were cited for shoplifting in the main exchange by military police this week.

On Saturday afternoon, a security officer at the exchange spotted a customer changing price tags on a purse, clothing material and some items of clothing. He notified MPs who apprehended the suspect.

The suspect was cited for unlawful entry and theft and released. Military police investigators are continuing the investigation.

Military police were called to the main exchange again on Sunday to

investigate another report of shoplifting after a PX security officer observed a person putting several items of shaving gear into his pocket.

According to the MP report, the suspect took a bottle of Old Spice, a shaving mug and soap kit and attempted to leave the store without paying.

The PX official stopped the suspect as he was leaving. Military police then arrived and charged the man with larceny of AAFES property before releasing him. The suspect was reported to be an enlisted mem-

ber of the Navy.

A post service station employee sustained multiple injuries in what was apparently an accidental fall near Building 779 early Tuesday.

Kenneth Burton was found unconscious at 5 a.m. Tuesday morning in a parking lot near the building. He was taken to Letterman Army Medical Center and underwent emergency surgery.

Initial reports from the military police indicated that they believed Burton might have been the victim of

an assault. But later, after LAMC doctors had examined Burton, an MP spokesman reported that his injuries were consistent with those which might be received during a fall.

He added that the investigation which was conducted by MPs at the scene seemed to agree with that conclusion.

As of late Tuesday, Burton had not regained consciousness. He is reported to be in serious condition at LAMC.

Time to spare

New show to open at the Playhouse

There are still a few vacancies for the salmon fishing trip on April 10 & 12. Transportation departs Bldg. 92, Outdoor Recreation at 5:30 a.m. on the above dates. For sign-up and/or information, call Outdoor Recreation, 561-4324/4356 no later than April 3.

Scuba classes begin April 28. Screen test will be conducted 6:30 p.m. Bldg. 1151, Post Swimming Pool. Cost is \$7.50 for the ten week course. For additional information and/or sign-up, call or come by Outdoor Recreation, 561-4324/4356, Bldg. 92, between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

They will also sponsor a **boat orientation class** for those wishing to check out boats this summer. The class is scheduled for Mar. 31 and Apr. 1 at 4:30 p.m. in Bldg. 92. Both classes are mandatory for anyone wishing to check out boats.

For \$2 you can join the **Marin Headlands Day Hike** on March 28. The hike will be guided by a National Park Service Naturalist. Deadline for payment is March 24.

For additional information concerning these or other classes or events being sponsored by the outdoor recreation center, contact them at ext. 4324.

Giants and A's Sunday baseball tickets will be available in April for both games' home opener. Also Great America tickets are available for \$8.50.

Marineland and Africa USA tickets will be available before the end of the month at the rec center.

Special mail order coupons are available for the Warriors' games March 25, at 7:30 p.m. and the Clippers game, March 28 at 8 p.m.

For more information concerning these or other programs sponsored by the Recreation Center, contact them after 2 p.m. at ext. 2000.

Learn to make panoramic sugar-mold easter eggs starting Apr. 1 at 7:30 p.m. for 2 weeks. The cost for the class is \$8, and class space is limited so sign-up early.

Members of the Artist Guild will exhibit their work for sale from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday in Hoover Glade on South Drive just west of 19th Avenue and Lincoln Way.

A theatrical performance of "Poetic Dance Theater," Yakim performs folksongs, belly dancing, and an art show will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Artists Embassy on Oak Street.

Taylor Gilbert as Charity and Tom Cannon as Rick arouse each other's suspicions in the Presidio Players' production of "The Butler Did It." Tim Kelly's comedy spoof of English mystery plays opens at the Presidio Playhouse on Friday, April 10.

It will play on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., through May 2. Tickets will be available at the Playhouse Box Office from 1-5 p.m., beginning April 6, and 30 minutes before performances.

The Presidio Players will hold auditions for the big Broadway musical, "Gypsy," on Sunday and Monday, April 12 and 13 at the Presidio Playhouse. The musical calls for a cast of 40-60, including 8-12 children (ages 7-12) who can sing and dance, and a large singing, dancing, and showgirl chorus.

Tryouts are open to anyone interested. Children's auditions will be held on Sunday afternoon, April 12. After April 6, call 561-3992 for a specific appointment time on one of the above dates. Rehearsals will be held after normal duty hours and on weekends.

Also needed are musicians who can read Broadway scores and technicians for scenery, lighting, sound, costumes, and props. "Gypsy" will be the Presidio's entry in the 1981 FORSCOM Festival of the Performing Arts, and will have 15 performances during June and July.

An **eight week quilting class** open to teenagers and adults will begin Mar. 28 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. at the Presidio Heights Playground, located at Clay and Walnut Streets. Students will learn basic patchwork, applique and quilting, also pattern enlarging, borders and mix and match. They will learn basic skills in the making of heirloom quilts. Students should know how to sew a simple running stitch. Cost for the class is \$5 and includes all supplies. For more information contact the Recreation and Parks Department at 558-4268.

On Thursday, March 26 at 7 p.m., the initial meeting of the Presidio **Modern Western Square Dance** Group will be held at the community center, Bldg. 1299. This group is being formed at the request of personnel interested in such an activity.

The group is open to all post personnel, military, dependents, civilians and retirees. Internationally known Bay Area instructor and caller, Doug Sanders, will be the leader of the group. Cost will be \$1.00 per person per evening. For additional information, please call the Recreation Center at Ext 2000 daily after 2 p.m.

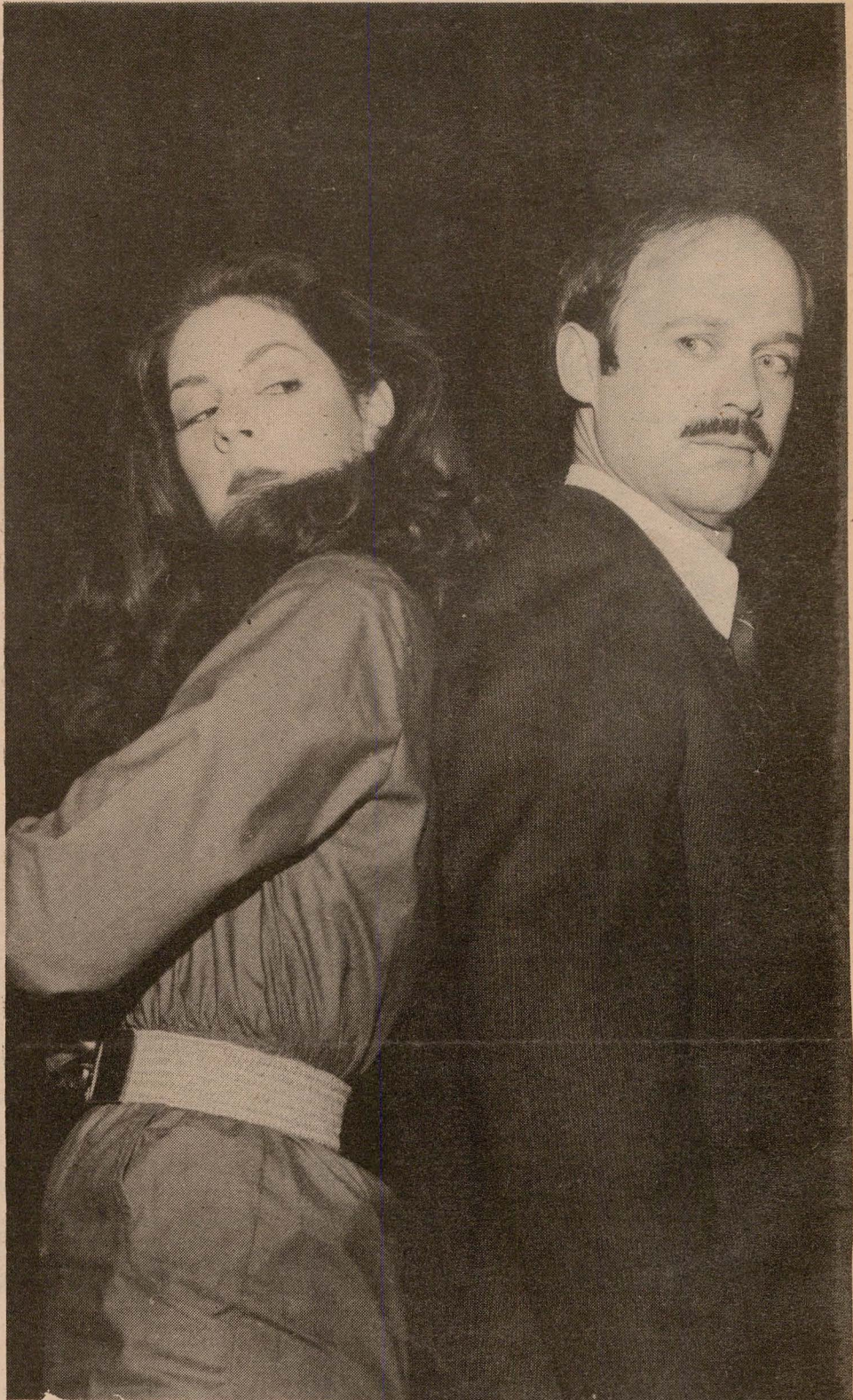


photo by Andrej and Janet Novak

Who did it?

Taylor Gilbert as Charity and Tom Cannon as Rick in a scene from "The Butler Did It". The comedy opens at the Presidio Playhouse next month.

The Rivals, Richard Brinsley Sheridan's comedy about what happens when a gallant young lover assumes a false identity to woo a whimsical young beauty will be playing through May 28, American Conservatory Theater at the Geary Theater.

World gold, silver and bronze medalist figure skaters will perform at the Oakland Coliseum Arena on Friday at 8 p.m.

Night and Day, Tom Stoppard's 1978 London hit—a fairly serious work about modern journalism, set in a revolutionary African country—contains much of interest, importance and wit, but does get bogged down in wordy conversation on occasion.

Stompin' at the Savoy, Ron Stacker Thompson has assembled an affecting, parodic tribute to Harlem's Club Savoy, a bastion of high nightclub style for 40 years.

at the movies

Presidio Theater

Mar. 19	The Island (R)	7 p.m.
Mar. 20	The Island (R)	7 p.m.
Mar. 21	The Glacier Fox (G)	2 p.m.
Mar. 22	Rough Cut	7 p.m.
Mar. 22	The Jazz Singer (PG)	7 p.m.
Mar. 23	The Jazz Singer (PG)	7 p.m.
Mar. 24	Dr. Heckyl & Mr. Hype (R)	7 p.m.
Mar. 25	Survival Run (R)	7 p.m.

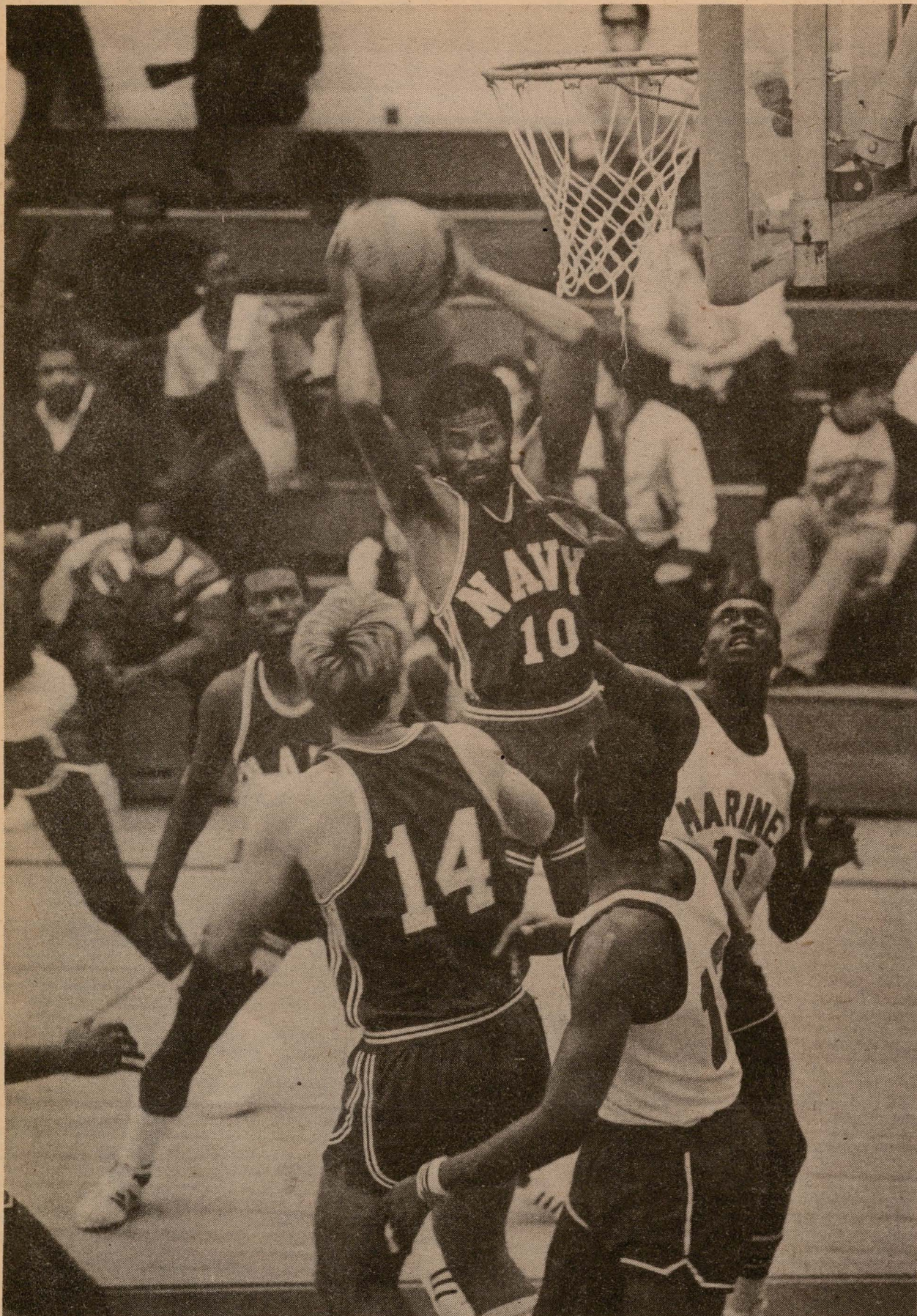
Schwartz Theater

Mar. 19	Nine-to-Five (PG)	7 p.m.
Mar. 20	Times Square (R)	7 p.m.
Mar. 23	The Island (R)	7 p.m.
Mar. 24	Rough Cut (PG)	7 p.m.
Mar. 25	The Jazz Singer (PG)	7 p.m.

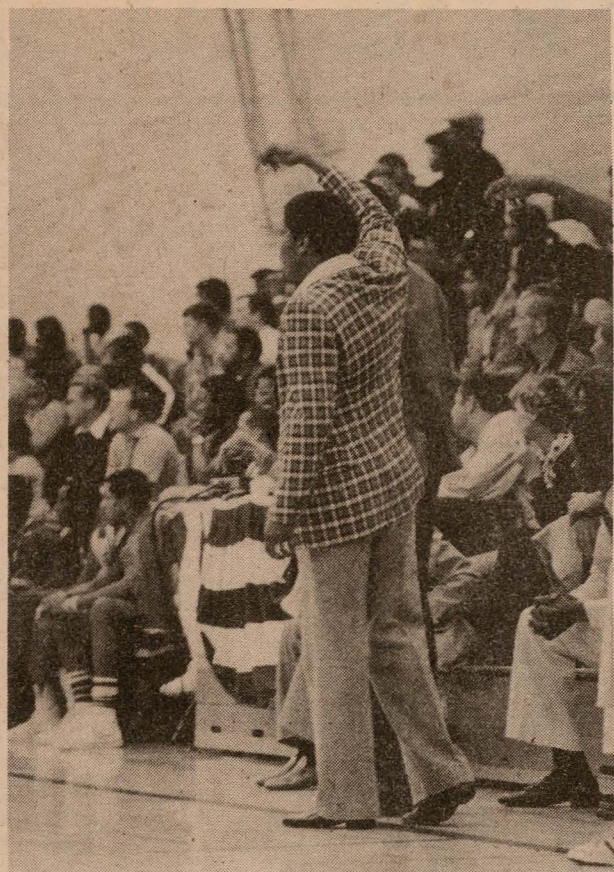
Mahoney's magnificent minutiae

Here is this week's collection of questions, for you connoisseurs of tantalizing trivia, developed by the Master of Magnificent Minutiae, Bob Mahoney. Submit your answers to this week's list on a postcard or plain sheet of paper along with your name and address to: Mahoney's Minutiae, c/o The Star Presidian, Bldg. 37, Presidio of San Francisco, CA 94129. The first entry bearing the most correct entries will be declared a winner and eligible for entry into our annual Star Presidian Magnificent Minutiae Contest. This week's winner and answers will be published in the next edition.

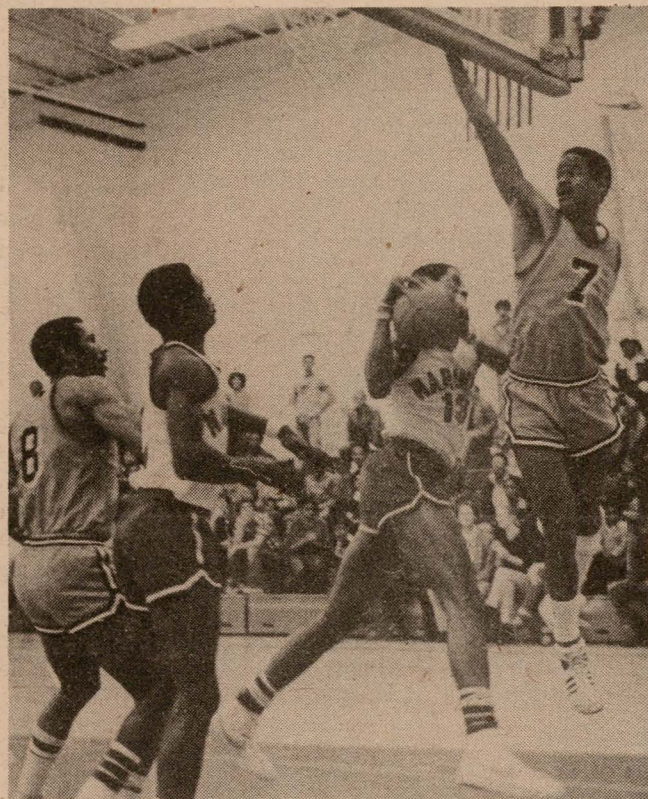
1. What was Superman's (Clark Kent's) original name from Krypton?
2. Who was the original drummer for the Beatles?
3. In what year was the first professional baseball game played?
4. What city is farther west, Los Angeles or Reno?
5. Who was the first chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff?
6. Of the 50 states, four are designated as Commonwealths. Name them.



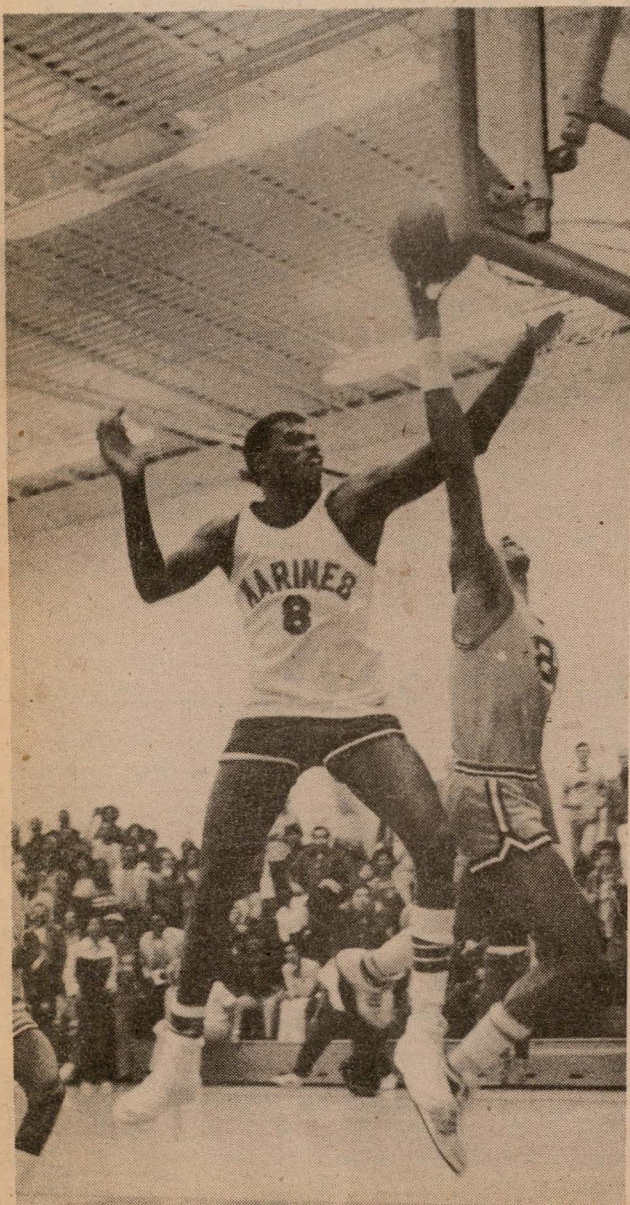
Navy forward Richard McGuire pulls down a rebound.



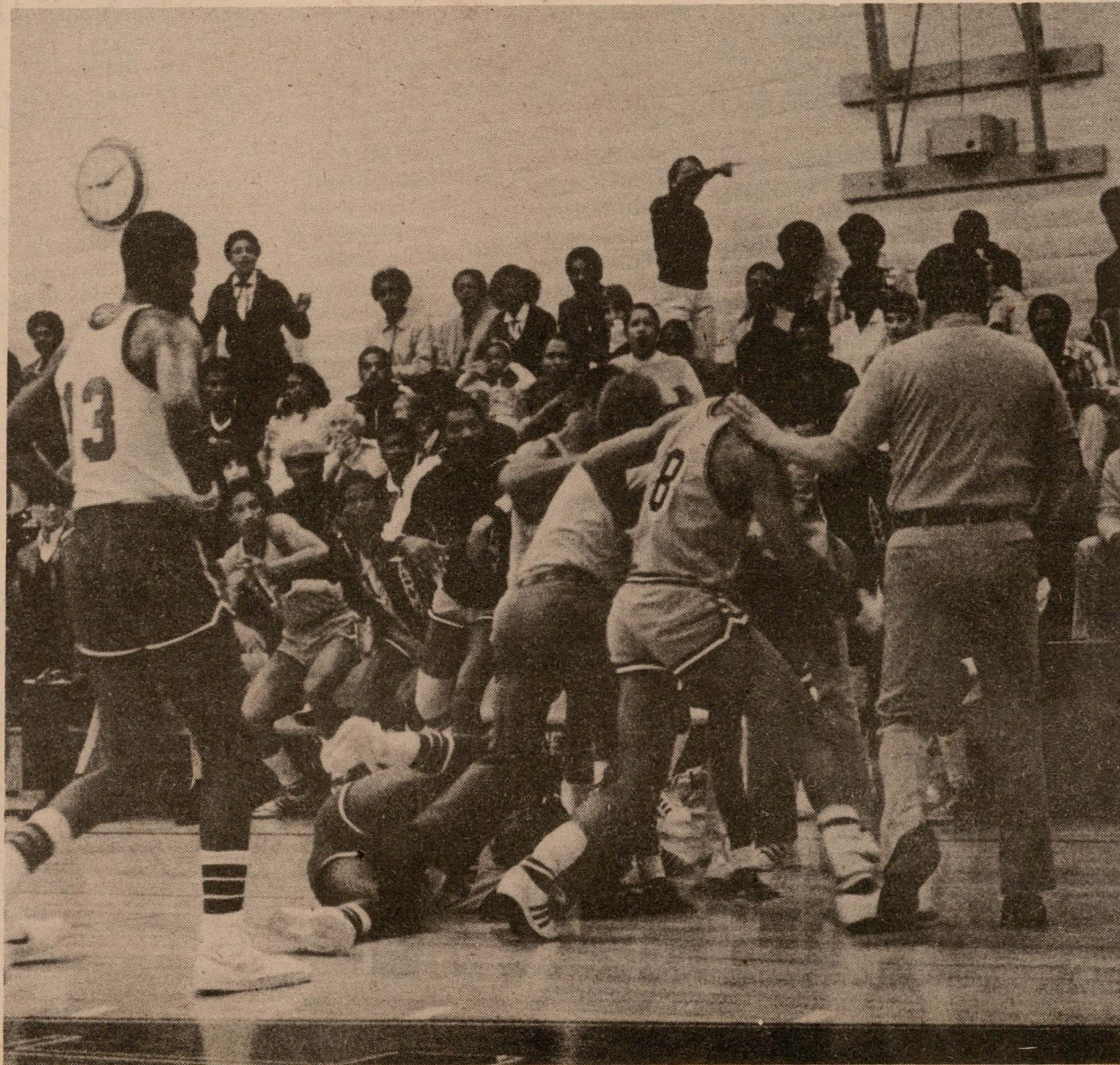
Army coach Alex Scott sends a signal from the bench.



Larry Warren of the Presidio blocks Dwaine Roberts.



Army's Petty Fisher scores over Keith Willis.



A fight breaks out just after the final game begins.

Sports

Army wins ninth consecutive title

Story and photos by Jon Chelgren

The Army beat the Marine Corps 84-83 to win their ninth consecutive title as the 1981 Interservice Basketball Championships ended last week at the Presidio main gym.

The play was so intense and the emotions so high that a routine foul call early in the game erupted into a brawl that emptied both benches.

Neither team could gain the upper hand as the lead seesawed back and forth throughout the game. The Army went into the locker room at the half with a mere 41-39 lead, but soon found themselves facing a five-point deficit early in the second half.

With 2:55 remaining, forward **Larry Warren** of the Presidio hit a baseline jumper to even the score at 79-79. Center **Thomas Blue** then hit a layup at 1:47 to give the Army the lead. He was fouled and converted the three point play for an 82-79 Army lead.

After the Marines scored to narrow the score 82-81, reserve forward **Petty Fisher** hit two of three foul shots to ice the Army victory.

The foul call on Fisher met loud Marine protest. Coach Mike Thomas heatedly claimed that he had called time out during a dead ball which would have stopped the action and prevented the foul.

Leading scorers for the Army were **Blue** with 28 points and **Warren** with 17.

Marine scoring was paced by **Keith Willis** with 16 and **Norris Chappell** with 15 points.

For the Marines it was their second game of the day. In an afternoon battle they flew past Air Force 94-83 to reach the finals of the double elimination tournament.

During that game, guard **Norris Chappell** suffered a head cut when he was fouled in the final minutes of the

game. He required four stitches but came back to start against the Army.

In the consolation finals, the Navy sailed past the Air Force 97-90 to take third place. Center **Kevin Stinnett** scored 31 points in the win.

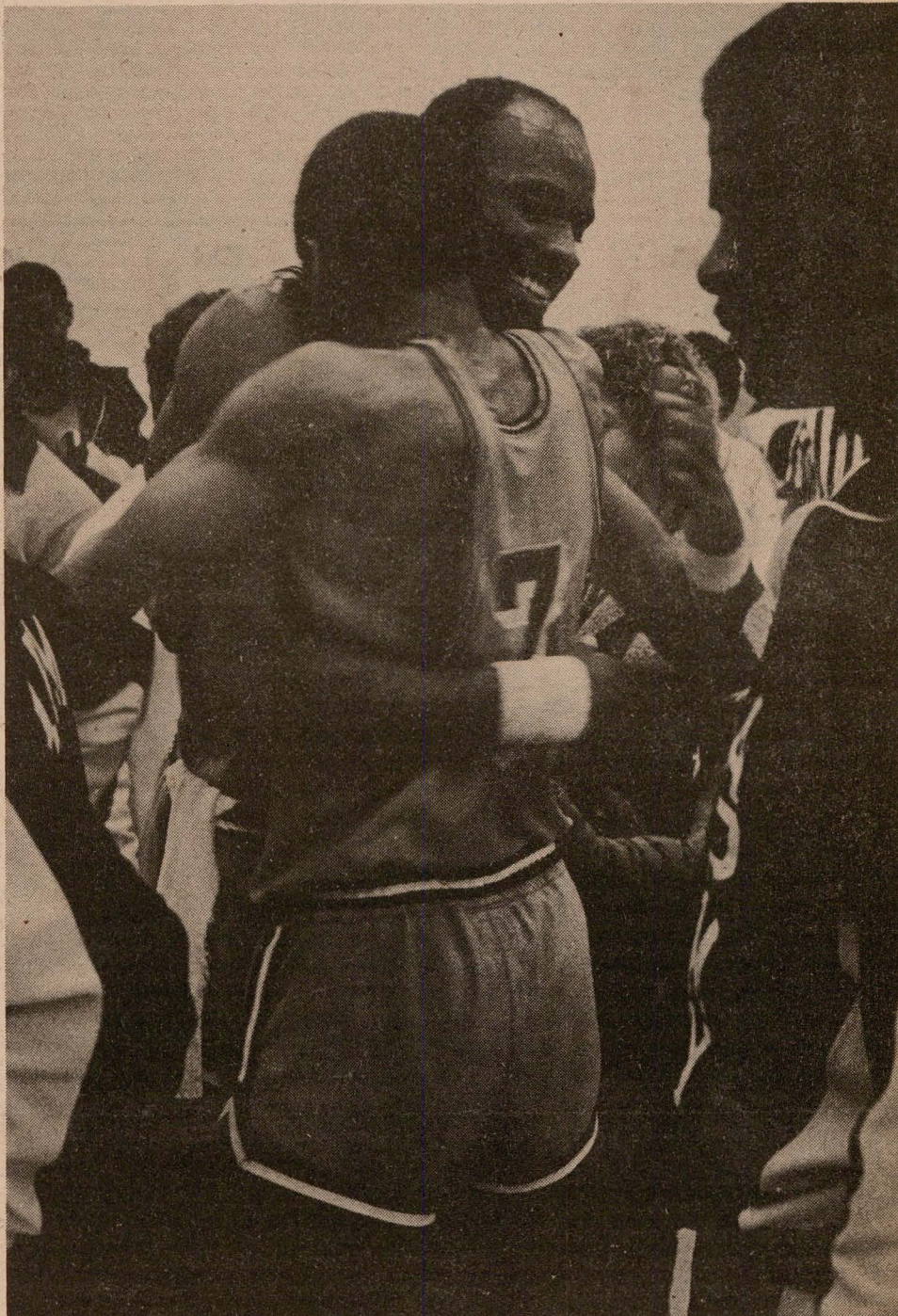
In early tournament action:

Air Force 95, Marine Corps 83—**Calvin Hunter** scored 22 points and **Jachariah Perkins** added 21 as the Air Force overran the Marines in the tournament's opening game. The Marines never led and could only close to within three points late in the game.

Army 110, Navy 97—The Army bounced back from a poor first half and seven point deficit to clobber the Navy in a rematch of last year's finals. **Larry Warren** hit 30 points and **Thomas Blue** added 20 for the victory.

Army 95, Air Force 93—The Army blew a 55-48 halftime lead and went down to the wire to squeak past the Air Force and ride the winner's bracket into the finals. The Army fell behind by as many as seven points in the last period as the Air Force capitalized on Army miscues. With a slim 94-93 lead and less than one minute remaining, the Army almost gave the victory away. Going into a stall offense, the Army waited too long to put the ball up and the shot clock expired with 24 seconds left in the game. The Air Force was unable to score, however, and also missed a shot at the buzzer to give the Army the win. **Larry Warren** scored 30 points.

Marine Corps 99, Navy 97—The Marines' wide open offense and shifting defense proved too much for the Navy's more patterned style of play as the Corps came back from an eight point halftime deficit to win the game and eliminate the Navy from the tournament. **Norris Chappell** paced Marine scoring with 29 points.



Army team members congratulate themselves after the final win.

All Armed Forces Basketball Team

Fifteen players were selected to the All-Armed Forces Basketball Team last week at the conclusion of the Interservice Basketball Championships.

Those selected included:

Thomas Blue, Fort Bragg; **Ricky Boynton**, Fort Riley; **Petty Fisher**, USAREUR; **Luther Jefferson**, USAREUR; and **Larry Warren**, Presidio of San Francisco, from the Army.

Ronnie Chalmers, Pope AFB; **Kenneth Pearson**, Clark AFB, and

Jachariah Perkins, Keesler AFB, from the Air Force.

Norris Chappell, Camp Hansen, Okinawa; **Donald Hatcher**, Camp Lejuene; **Lee Moore**, Camp Pendleton; and **Paul Sidney**, Beauford, S.C., from the Marine Corps.

Richard McGuire, ASWCC Damneck; **Keith McIntosh**, NWC China Lake; and **Kevin Stinnett**, NAS Corpus Christi, from the Navy.

Winning Army Coach **Alex Scott** was picked to lead the squad.

Quakes jolt Chargers 7-2

The Presidio Earthquakes (4-1) defeated the Viking Chargers 7-2 to finish in second place over the last half of the season.

The first half of the game was a seesaw battle as the teams traded goals. **Kevin Blake** and **Kevin Gross** scored the two goals for the Quakes and **Robbie McAuley** had one assist.

In the second half, the Quakes

exploded for five goals, as **Blake** scored three, **McAuley** one and **Jerry Smiljanic** scored the final tally. The offense had a productive day as **Blake** and **Gross** had one assist apiece.

The Quakes will take on the Viking Fogs again on Wednesday to determine the undisputed second place team over the whole season.

Sports shorts

Male-female bowling

The Presidio of San Francisco will enter a male and female bowling team in FORSCOM Bowling Tournament, April 27-May 1, 1981 at Ft. Ord, CA.

Active duty military personnel assigned or attached to this installation are authorized to participate. For additional information, contact the tournament director, Mr. **Tauaese Tauaese** at ext. 5051/4120.

Archery tournament

The FORSCOM Field Archery Tournament will be conducted at Ft. Campbell, KY, May 18-22. The Presidio is authorized to send two qualified individuals to this competition.

Experienced coaching by **Noli Manas** is available. Contact the Sports Branch Office, ext. 4120/5032 if interested.

DYA baseball

For those who were unable to sign up last weekend for DYA Baseball, there will be another opportunity to do so at the Baseball tryouts Saturday, at Pop Hicks Field from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Fees will be \$3.50 per child or \$6 per family. Proof of birthdate is necessary at time of registration (birth certificate only). The program is open to boys and girls between 7-14 years of age. Ages and tryout times are as follows:

Age Group	Tryout Times
7-10	9-12
11-12	1-2
13-14	2-3

For more information, call Mr. **Gaffney** at 5328/2070.

New pool hours

Effective March 30, 1981, the Post Swimming Pool hours will be as follows:

Monday-Friday—9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Saturday—1 p.m.-5 p.m.
Sunday, Holidays—Closed

DYA soccer

The Presidio Strikers DYA soccer team is looking for players to participate in the upcoming Police Athletic League season.

To be eligible, players must have been at least six years old on January 1, 1981 and not over seven on the same date.

Registration will be conducted today and tomorrow from 4-5:30 p.m. and again on Saturday from 3-4 p.m. For more information call ext. 2005 from 8-4 p.m. or 221-5732 after duty hours.

Presidio News Notes



Photo of the week

This weeks Photo of the Week winner was submitted by Mac Roberts of the

Civilian Personnel office. Mac's photo will move on to the photo of the Quarter competition. First, second and third place winners will be published next week.

R.O.A. Meeting

Capt. Richard B. Legge, USCGR, will speak on "U.S. Coast Guard Operations in West Africa (Liberia)" at a joint meeting of R.O.A. chapters 6 and 34 at the Presidio Officers' Club on April 2.

Officers of all military services, active, reserve and retired are welcome to attend.

Hospitality hour begins at 6:30 p.m. and dinner is at 7:30.

Cost is \$9.00 per person. Make your check payable to "R. O. A." and send to Col. Angus Loop, 6401 Melville Drive, Oakland 94611.

Band Concert

The Sixth U.S. Army Band will present a concert Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the LAIR Auditorium.

CW2 John S. Dunlap, Bandmaster, has selected music from various periods and styles for the event.

Mechanic class

Good mechanics are hard to find. Neither vehicle owners nor vehicle service employers can tell easily which mechanics are competent to diagnose and repair vehicle problems. The National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (NAISE) Certification Program offers a practical way to provide qualified mechanics with the recognition and improved status they deserve.

By participating in this program you will help to professionalize your occupation, increase your career opportunities, improve your chances for higher pay and gain recognition in your community as someone who is

dedicated to automotive service excellence.

Registration deadline for automotive, Heavy-duty truck, Body repair and painting and refinishing tests is April 6, 1981.

Call the Ft Scott Education Center or the LAMC Education Center for more information.

Stress workshop

If you are successfully handling your stress, there's no reason to change; but, if you're dealing with stress that doesn't go away or keeps mounting, maybe it's time to do something about it.

The Letterman Army Medical Center, Social Work Service is sponsoring a stress skills workshop which may be of benefit to you. The workshop begins on Friday April 3 from 7-9 p.m. at the Child Care Center, Building 950. Other sessions will be held on the first and third Friday of April and May.

This workshop will be presented by professional social workers from 6253d US Army Hospital, 113th Medical Detachment. The Stress Clinic is sponsored by the Joint Services Child Care Project in affiliation with Social Work Service, Letterman Army Medical Center and the two Reserve Units.

All Department of Defense ID card holders are welcome. There is no fee, although participants may want to buy a personal workbook for \$5. Further information and advance registration may be obtained by calling the LAMC Social Work Department at 561-2174.

Pot Luck dinner

On March 30, the Enlisted Men's Wives' Club will have an International Pot Luck Dinner at the Log Cabin (Bldg. 1299). All members of their families are invited. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m. The club will also host a P. X. Fashion Show. Look for details at a later date.

If you are a graduating high school senior, now is the time to apply for a scholarship. Applications are available at ACS, Main Post Library, and Letterman Library. For more information call 561-2463.

Sunday school

The Protestant Sunday School program is now beginning it's third quarter. All parents who are interested in enrolling their children should call Stephen Miller or Jay Parks at 4440/3535 or come by the religious activities center Sunday at 9 a.m. to register.

They have classroom space available for children 3 years old through high school age youth.

Leaders wanted

WANTED: Adult leadership for the American Red Cross "Summer Youth" volunteer program at LAMC. This program introduces the young volunteer to the inside workings of the hospital.

If you are interested in helping to set up and conduct this program, please contact Mrs. Morrow in the Red Cross office, Room 355, phone 561-2180/2187.

Last week's top photo was incorrectly credited to Leonard Savors of LAIR. It was actually the entry of Glenn Streeton of the Sixth U.S. Army Band.

Free puppies

Free to nice home, two black and white terrier mix, eight week old puppies. For more information, call Mr. Morton at 661-5991.

Quilting class

A quilting class will begin on Mar. 25 and run every Wednesday evening, 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. for six weeks duration. This class covers sewing machine applique of baby quilts and baskets. Individuals must be able to bring their own sewing machine to class. Class fee is \$10.00.

Rules meeting

The 1981 Intraumural Slow Pitch Softball competition will begin May 4.

American Softball Association Slow Pitch Softball rules, except those modified by the sports branch, will be used for all games.

A rules interpretation meeting will be held April 28 at 1:30 at the post gym No. 1.

All units entering a team must have a team representative present.

Officers' Club

Enjoy a live country & western band at the club on Friday at 7:30-11:30 p.m. in the Attic Lounge. RIGHT ARM NIGHT will be held on Wednesday in The Attic from 4:30-8:30 p.m., with Go-Go Dancers from 5:00-7:00 p.m. A Hawaiian Luau will be held on Thursday—Make your reservations now.

Army update

DOPMA

A briefing for Presidio officers will be conducted in the post theater at 9 a.m. Tuesday and again on April 3. The subject will be "an overview of the Defense Officer Personnel Management Act (DOPMA)."

According to Army personnel officials, DOPMA will allow the Army to integrate a number of other than regular Army (OTRA) commissioned into the regular Army (RA). The Act is scheduled to take effect September 15, 1981, with a 2-year transition period for the Army to be totally in line with all changes required.

The procedure concerns any OTRA officer whose mandatory release date (MRD) is before January 31, 1982, as a result of 20 years' service. To be considered for retention for possible integration into the RA, these commissioned officers should call their career managers or send in an application for extension of their MRD through January 31, 1982.

Officials say plans are being developed for the RA officer force under the Act, and that RA integration of officers should be completed by January 31, 1982.

Elections set

Two special elections will be held in Michigan to fill the 4th Congressional District seat. Dave Stockman (Rep.) resigned in January to become the Director of the US Office of Management and Budget.

The primary election will be held on March 24, to be followed by the general election on April 21.

A special election will be held in Maryland's 5th Congressional District (parts of Prince George's and Montgomery counties) to fill the seat vacated by Gladys Noon Spellman (Dem.). The primary election will be held on April 7 with the general election on May 19.

Requests for absentee ballots should be addressed to the Board of Supervisors of Elections at the county of voting residence.

Closing

Due to removal of asbestos insulation from plumbing in the basement of Bldg. 39, the Transportation Division will be closed on April 20. Units, activities or individuals requiring personnel or materiel movement support are requested to plan accordingly. Normal business hours will resume on April 21.

Ethnic contacts

The Presidio Human Resources Development Division is looking for civilian points-of-contact to represent the interests of ethnic groups during cultural events.

In addition, they will plan and conduct activities in recognition of traditional and non-traditional ethnic celebrations.

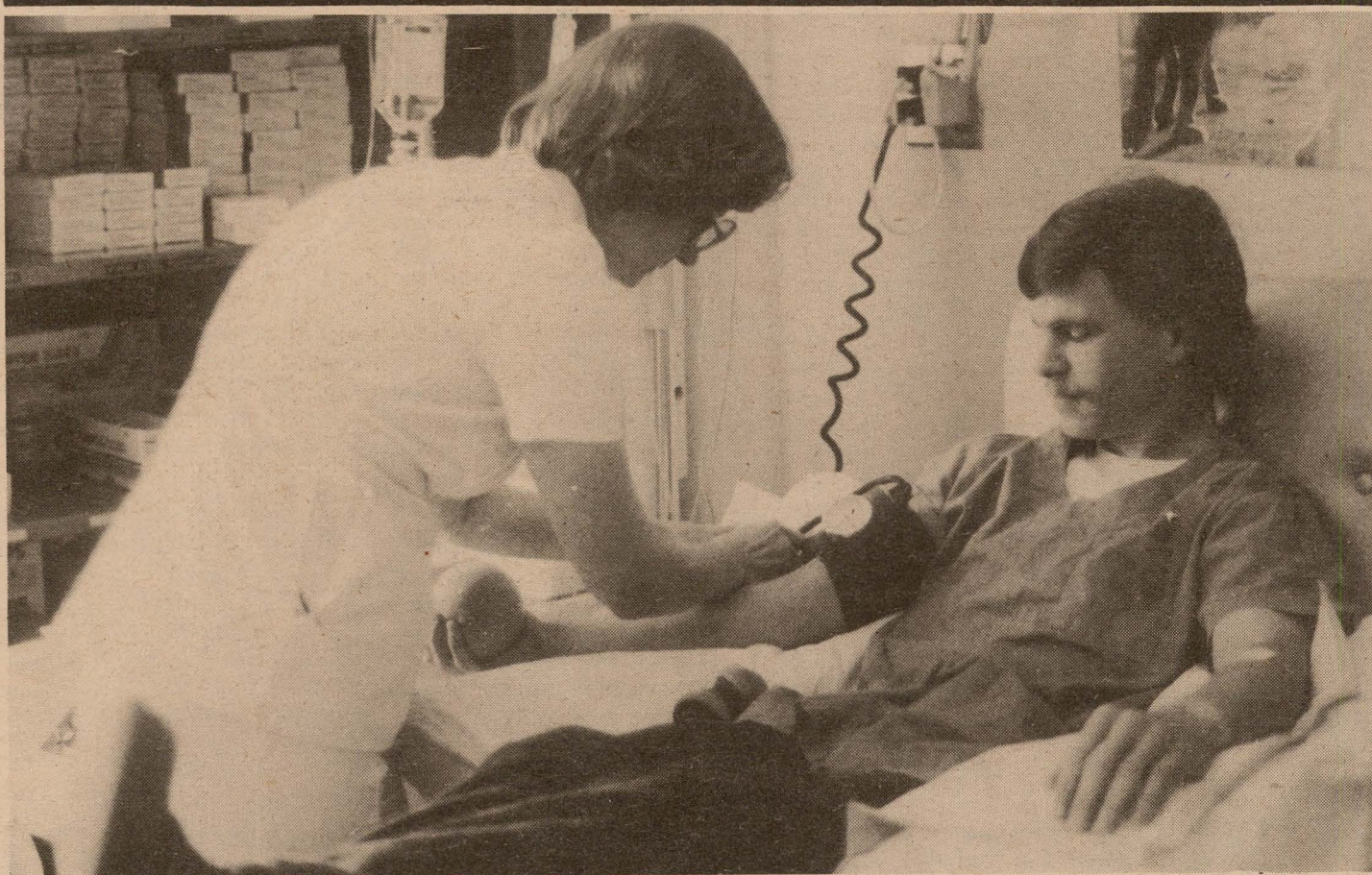
Those wishing to participate or who would like more information should contact Sgt. Dyson at 5730/3701.

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Ruth Koker helps Karl's brother, Eugene, prepare for the donation process.

Photo by Bill Craig

White blood cells donors

Help needed to save lives

by Tim Dewar

Leukemia patients need white blood cells to survive.

Chemotherapy has allowed Carl, a 23-year-old Greenfield resident to keep the normally fatal disease he has had for two years under control, according to the Director of LAMC's Cell Separator Unit and the attending physician on Carl's ward, Maj. Howard Davidson.

"The white blood cell transfusions play a very important role in getting him through periods when his white blood cell count is the lowest and he is having problems with infections," Davidson adds.

"Carl contracted leukemia, a malignant bone marrow disease, over two years ago and has gotten the disease under control with chemotherapy, (anti-cancer medication) on three separate occasions," he says.

The first lasting 16 months from his initial treatment without evidence of the disease reoccurring, the second was about eight months, the third just four. He is trying for another remission, his fourth attempt to control the disease," Davidson explains.

Because of the effects of the disease and the chemotherapy, patients who have leukemia or other malignant diseases have a very low white blood cell count. This loss of white blood cells causes susceptibility, "and almost always," according to Davidson, "results in serious bacterial infections."

To help them through these infections, patients like Carl are given antibiotics, but without white blood cells, which kill bacteria, they still have trouble fighting infections. That is why white blood cell transfusions are so important to Carl and other leukemia patients.

"The problems with white cells, unlike whole blood, is that it can't be stored for more than one day. After that it can no longer kill bacteria effectively. For that reason, Davidson continues, "we need to have donors standing by, a roster of donors who

we can call on short notice to ask if they can donate."

Because there are red cells remaining in the white blood cell transfusion, donor and recipient must be matched according to blood type, which makes finding donors even harder.

"We have been doing this for five years and most of our donors have been the young active duty people in the hospital and on the post," explains Davidson. "This causes a constant problem of replacing our donors because of PCS', we are constantly in the recruiting business."

The time required to donate is from three to four hours and involves being hooked up to a machine that takes blood out of one arm, passes it through a filter which removes the white blood cells and returns the remaining plasma to the donor. Donors are given a blood thinner, so their blood won't clot in the filter, and a medication to stimulate production of white blood cells.

"The body's ability to produce

white blood cells is such," he states, "that the amount we remove has really no impact on the donor at all in terms of risk of infections. There is no risk of even a temporary susceptibility to infection."

One of the advantages, according to Davidson, is that in contrast to whole blood donation, you actually know who you are helping when you donate white blood cells.

Anyone interested in donating white blood cells to patients like Carl, may call the Cell Separator Unit at 4386 or 4398. Ask for either Ruth Koker or Tina Stanfield, the Cell Separator nurses.

Dr. Davidson is also happy to talk to groups preferably of about 30-50 people, about white blood cell donation.

All donors must first receive blood tests, a chest x-ray and if over 40, an electrocardiogram.

"Our donors feel really good about being able to save, or at least prolong a life," Davidson concluded.



Photo by Bill Craig

Sunday school fun

The Protestant Sunday School Program has classes available for children three years old through high school. Their classes are designed to allow stimulation and growth in an atmosphere that builds confidence. They are now planning the Vacation Church School to begin in late June. Volunteers are needed in teaching, recreation and arts/crafts. Those desiring information should contact Steve Miller or Jay Park at ext. 3535 or 4440.

Opinion

AUSA report: Women in the Army- What is the right number?

Women wearing Army green have been and will continue to be an extremely valuable asset to our senior military service. They have shrugged off the traditional role as clerk and medic and are now constructively involved in almost every one of the Army's multitude of jobs, although there is lessening interest in the nontraditional assignments. At a time when the recruiters were having a hard time finding enough male recruit there was a steady flow of well-motivated women into the ranks. Since the beginning of the All-Volunteer Army it has been the female recruits who have been the best, educated. Today there are about 69,000 women in the Army and the service has been directed by the Department of Defense to climb to a total female strength of 87,500 (11 percent of the active Army's strength) by fiscal year 1986.

The Association of the U.S. Army does not think this should be done. More women, the Association is convinced, will upset the already shaky balance between the number of male and female soldiers. Commanders in the field are concerned

that the growing number of women assigned to units in the combat area could present problems of strength and stamina at the most critical of times—the opening days of a conflict. One armored division in Germany, for example, has about 1,300 women, or almost one-tenth of its total strength. While these women are not assigned to fighting units, they would be functioning in the division's area of operation where they could easily be involved in combating a successful enemy thrust and would most certainly be subjected to artillery fire and air attack. Quite aside from the risk, there is the very real question of their physical ability to perform vital tasks under the stress of combat.

There are other reasons why the Army should level off at about its current number of women. They are more expensive to recruit, to train and to support and they are twice as unlikely as men to complete their initial period of service. It has been Army practice for many years to have soldiers rotate between assignments in combat and sup-

port units, but, as the number of women in support units has grown, there have been fewer opportunities for men to periodically get out of combat units. There is another hard, physiological fact, too. At any given time, about ten percent of the women in the Army are pregnant. For obvious reasons, there are substantial periods of time during pregnancy and immediately after it when the female soldier is unable to perform all her duties, so other soldiers must do double duty.

This is not a chauvinist point of view. We can look around every day and see women doing outstanding jobs of all kinds—better than men in many situations. But the Army's mission is to fight and win, so, in the final analysis, it is more important to have an Army that is ready than it is to have one which reflects societal changes. Women have an established constructive and valuable role in the Army, but, by their sheer pervasiveness, they should not imperil the Army's ability to fight.

'Fact of Life' pay increase

New pay program under consideration

by K. Douglas Cook

There's a new program being considered in Washington which directly affects everyone in or working for the military.

We have grown used to receiving a "Cost of Living" increase in our pay every so often. Of course, calling it a realistic indicator of the actual cost of living was a misuse of the language! No pay increase received in recent memory ever reflected the actual cost of daily life.

Apparently this term is about to be replaced with a new phrase. Enter the "Fact of Life" pay increase. This is a far more dramatic phrase, more full-bodied, more able to be used in political rhetoric!

It's yet not clear how a Fact of Life pay increase will differ from a Cost Of Living pay increase. It's a shorter phrase and maybe that will save the cost of ink and paper.

It sounds much more personal than the old phrase. Who hasn't heard someone promise to reveal the facts of life at a certain point in life? It doesn't have that hard "C" sound in it—like crunch, chaos or crisis. It has a soft "F" sound—like fine, favor or funny.

This new Fact of Life gadget should be of great interest to military personnel stationed in the Bay Area. I hasten to add that the city by the Bay and its outlying areas have a great

deal to offer residents. It's a place filled with style, excitement and variety.

Yet, even the most ardent, undaunted fan of the Bay Area should be able to admit that this is a big bucks place. A person with modest means is soon discovering that San Francisco requires a bit more. When the downtown branch of the Golden Arches has a marble front and a tuxedo-clad doorman (honest—it's on Pine Street), one immediately gets the idea life costs more around here.

The question is survival and that's a fact of life. One wonders if the folks who determine the next pay increase

will consider the real facts. Will they consider the lower enlisted grades, especially the married ones, who are eligible for food stamps?

Will our Fact of Life pay increase take into consideration the price of food, transportation and housing in this area? Will someone actually determine that it does, factually, cost more to live here than at, for example, Fort Lewis?

Maybe we are the ones who should face the "facts" and resign ourselves to the probable Fact Of Life increase as being just another way of saying, "too little."

Action Line

Dual occupancy

We received an Action Line call regarding the regulations and legality of two families sharing one set of government quarters. The name of the caller was withheld.

To get an answer we went to Mrs. Nelly Bennetto of Family Housing.

"According to Change 18 of Army Regulation 210-50, multiple occupancy of single family housing is not authorized," said Bennetto. "However," she adds, "in unusual circumstances and subject to the approval of the commander, when a military member assigned family quarters agrees to temporary occupancy of spare rooms by the dependents of a second member, such joint occupancy will be

reviewed as an assignment to family quarters for each member. This means both members will have to give up their BAQ entitlements."

If anyone has questions concerning dual occupancy they should contact Mrs. Bennetto at Family Housing.

No smoking

Yesterday while I was riding the Presidio shuttle bus, the 7:30 run, I noticed a person smoking in the seat in front of me. I tapped him on the shoulder and said, "Hey you're smoking and there are no smoking signs. The driver turned around and said, "He's a driver—he can smoke on the bus."

I replied that he was not driving. Then she said he was the assistant driver, and that he was authorized to smoke on the bus, because all the drivers can smoke on the bus. Is this true, can they smoke on the bus?"

SSgt. Jim Edwards

We took your question to Bruce Terpstra, chief of the transportation division.

"No one is authorized to smoke on the buses including the drivers. If they wish to have a cigarette, they can get off the bus at the main post bus stop and smoke one there," Terpstra explained.

Presidio

There has been some indication that our automatic answering device has not been working properly. We haven't been able to fix it yet.

If you desire to call the Star Presidian's Action Line during the next few weeks, please use one of the other lines. Our regular phone numbers are ext. 561-2005 or 561-3908.

We urge residents and employees of the Presidio to utilize this channel of communication to deal with those problems which you feel need to be addressed.

Remember to give your name if you want to be notified personally. If you don't want your name published, let us know that too.

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Letter to the Editor. . .

Reader recognizes humor

Dear Mr. Cook,

This is in response to the other native San Franciscan who was shocked by your letter published in the March 12 edition of the Star Presidian. I am also a native San Franciscan and I want to thank you for a priceless piece of humor con-

cerning THE CITY.

San Franciscans have been noted for their wit, urbaneness and sophistication. Accepting a spoof in the spirit of good fellowship is also part of the attributes of a true San Franciscan, native or convert.

MARGARET HARDY

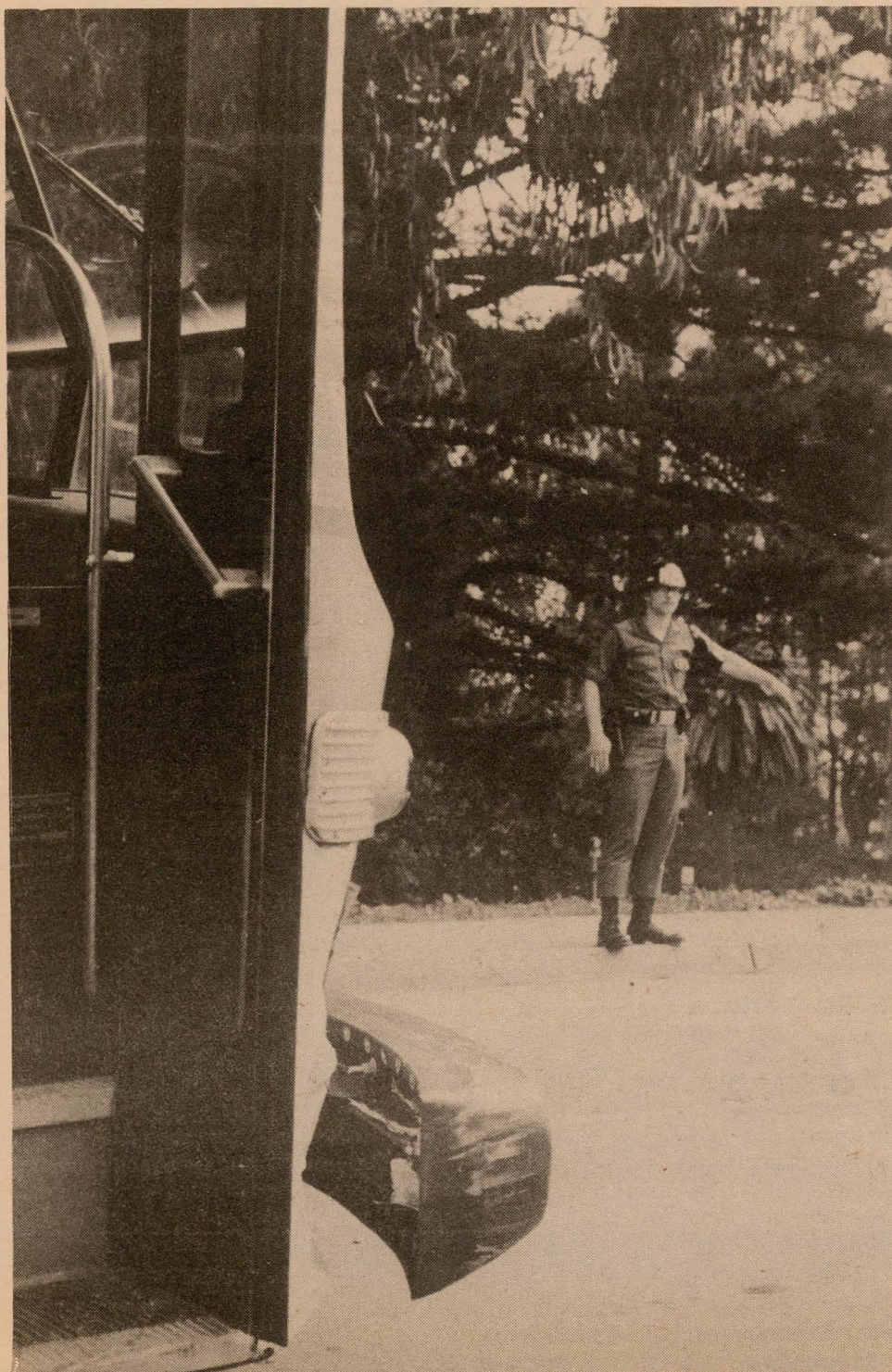


Photo by John Green

A military policeman directs traffic around the stolen bus.

MPs recover stolen muni bus on Tuesday

Military police responding to a traffic accident report, recovered a stolen Muni Bus at Letterman Army Medical Center early Monday.

An MP unit was sent to investigate a vehicle/object hit and run accident which occurred near LAMC just before 7 a.m. on Monday. Their report revealed that a Muni Bus, travelling east on Lincoln Blvd., had struck the northwest corner of bldg. 105.

The collision caused minor damage to a right-rear panel on the bus and a large crack in the stairway foundation of the building.

When Muni officials arrived at the scene they reported that the bus had

been stolen at around 5:30 a.m. from North Point and Stockton in San Francisco.

The driver of the bus left the scene and is still at large. The San Francisco Police Department, Muni Police and Military Police Investigators are continuing the investigation.

An MP spokesman also reported that CID is investigating the theft of two dirt bikes from Pop Hicks Field Saturday afternoon.

Witnesses reported that two young men approximately 16 years old took the bikes from near the baseball field. The dirt bikes were valued at \$500 and \$485.

AER Drive to begin

For the first time in the Army Emergency Relief's 38 year history, soldiers may now donate to AER by allotment according to an AER financial fund campaign report.

Their annual campaign gives local commanders money to provide financial assistance to Army members and their families in times of emergency. It will be conducted on the Presidio from May 1 through June 17.

According to Col. F. Whitney Hall Jr., post commander, the Presidio AER section assisted 308 eligible members with loans and grants totaling more than \$70,000 last year. The Army wide total according to the

report was more than 10 million dollars.

Soldiers, their families, retired Army personnel, as well as widows, widowers and orphans of deceased Army members are eligible to receive AER assistance. Requirements for assistance are expected to become greater and available funds are expected to become limited according to a recent release from FORSCOM commander, Gen. R.M. Shoemaker.

Donations can be given to your project officer after May 1 or may be taken out in the form of allotment. AER is the only fund drive specifically for Army members from Army members.

Three receive \$350 cash awards

More emphasis on civilian recognition

by K. Douglas Cook

Recognition of outstanding acts, work or contributions has long been a tradition of the Army. Such acknowledgement, through medals, certificates or money awards, has been proven to boost morale and encourage others to strive for excellence.

Yet, according to Barbara Eckstrom, Incentive Awards Administrator for the Presidio, civilian employees have seldom benefited from such recognition in the past, although the mechanics are present to do so.

Under the revitalized Civilian Retention Program, as supervised by Presidio commander, Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., an increased emphasis is being placed on civilian recognition. Three Presidio civilians benefitted from the program this past week.

Eric Saul, curator of the Presidio museum and both Jasper Green and Robert Combs, museum technicians, were honored for their significant achievements in the presentation of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team exhibit. Their long hours of hard work, dedication and expertise netted each a check in the amount of \$350.

The authority under which such awards can be given is found in both Army and local regulations. The program comes under the general cover of special achievement awards for special acts or service.

Eckstrom, whose office is located within the Civilian Personnel Office, has the responsibility for administering the program. More importantly, she is there to aid commanders and staff directors in making the program work.

"The awards program is fairly simple," according to Eckstrom. "It can be done on a single sheet of paper and I am here to assist supervisors of civilian employees in making such awards."

In past years, it was believed that giving civilian employees an award for a special act or service was a long and detailed process. Under this new, streamlined interpretation of the existing program, such awards can be given within a few days!

According to Eckstrom, awards to civilians can be broken down into two major types. The first is honorary recognition, where a certificate is presented. The other is monetary recognition where money is given.

Local authority has been delegated to major civilian supervising officials to grant from \$25 to \$350 in awards.

To give an honorary award, a civilian employee must perform in such a manner as to exceed normally established goals and requirements.

Monetary awards represent acts or contributions which are significant in measurable ways to the Army. Such awards can be for consistently high quality of performance, significant tangible contributions or significant achievements at the workplace.

"What we are most concerned about is that civilian supervisors know this program exists and is an effective tool in acknowledging civilian employee accomplishments," says Eckstrom.

More information about the awards program can be gained by calling Barbara Eckstrom at 561-4332 or stopping by the Incentive Awards office in building 37.

Reservations available for State Campgrounds

During the 1981 camping season, the Forest Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, will offer reservations for 25 family campgrounds and 11 group campgrounds on National Forests throughout California, Pacific Southwest Regional Forester Zane G. Smith, Jr., announced today.

Reservations will be available starting April 6, at all Ticketron outlets in California and by mail through the Ticketron Reservation Office, P. O. Box 26430, San Francisco, California, 94126.

The family campgrounds are located on the Eldorado, Inyo, Lassen, San Bernardino, Sierra, Shasta-Tri-

nity, and Stanislaus National Forests and the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit.

The group campgrounds are located on the Eldorado, Inyo, San Bernardino, Shasta-Trinity, and Stanislaus National Forests. Reservations can be made up to eight weeks in advance for family campgrounds and up to 12 weeks in advance for group campgrounds.

There is a daily charge for the use of each campsite plus a Ticketron fee of \$1.75 for each family and \$3 for each group campground reservation. If a campsite is available for the

dates requested and the kind of vehicle and equipment to be used, Ticketron will issue a validated ticket upon full payment of the daily charge and reservation fee. No phone reservations will be accepted.

Requests by mail should be accompanied by full payment of the reservation fee and the daily fee for the visit. Campers should give alternate dates if possible and allow adequate time for return mailing.

No more than two campsite reservations per person for the same campground and dates will be accepted. Duration of stay is limited at all campgrounds and consecutive

reservations will not be honored. Campsites are assigned upon arrival. Specific campsites cannot be reserved.

The Ticketron reservation system applies only to 25 of the nearly 900 family campgrounds on the National Forests in California.

All other campgrounds not in the reservation system will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more information on the campground reservation system, write to Forest Service, USDA, 630 Sansome Street, San Francisco, California, 94111.



Funeral services, are just a small part of the band's mission. Photo by Tim Dewar

Sixth Army Band, many bands in one

by Mark Enge

The Sixth Army Band doesn't only play for retirement ceremonies and military funerals.

Really many bands in one, the Sixth Army Band contains several separate playing units, to include the marching band which participates in many civic and community events. Most recently seen in San Francisco's St. Patrick day parade, it contains all of the playing members of the Sixth Army Band.

Like the Marching Band, the Concert Band contains all of the approximately 40 playing members and performs at the officers club, outdoor concerts, and regularly at school assembly programs.

One of the most popular units within the band, the Rock Band unit

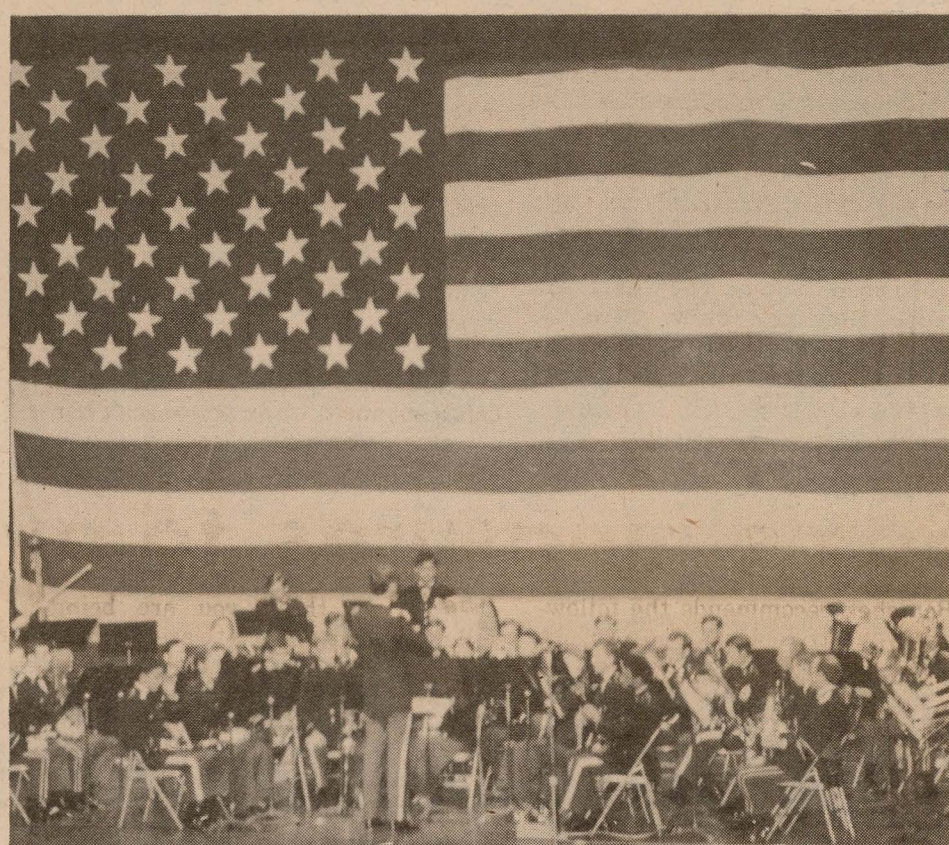
has in 1981 alone made three tours of California schools, and a week long tour in Salt Lake City, Utah. The band contains six members who play original compositions as well as songs by the Eagles and Billy Joel.

The Big Band sound is the forte of the Stage Band, an 18 piece unit which performs music from various Big Band artists like Glenn Miller.

In addition to these four bands, the band also contains many smaller units available for special occasions to include the Combo, who perform Top 40 and Country hits.

The Brass Quintet and Woodwind Quartet both specialize in music of the renaissance and baroque eras.

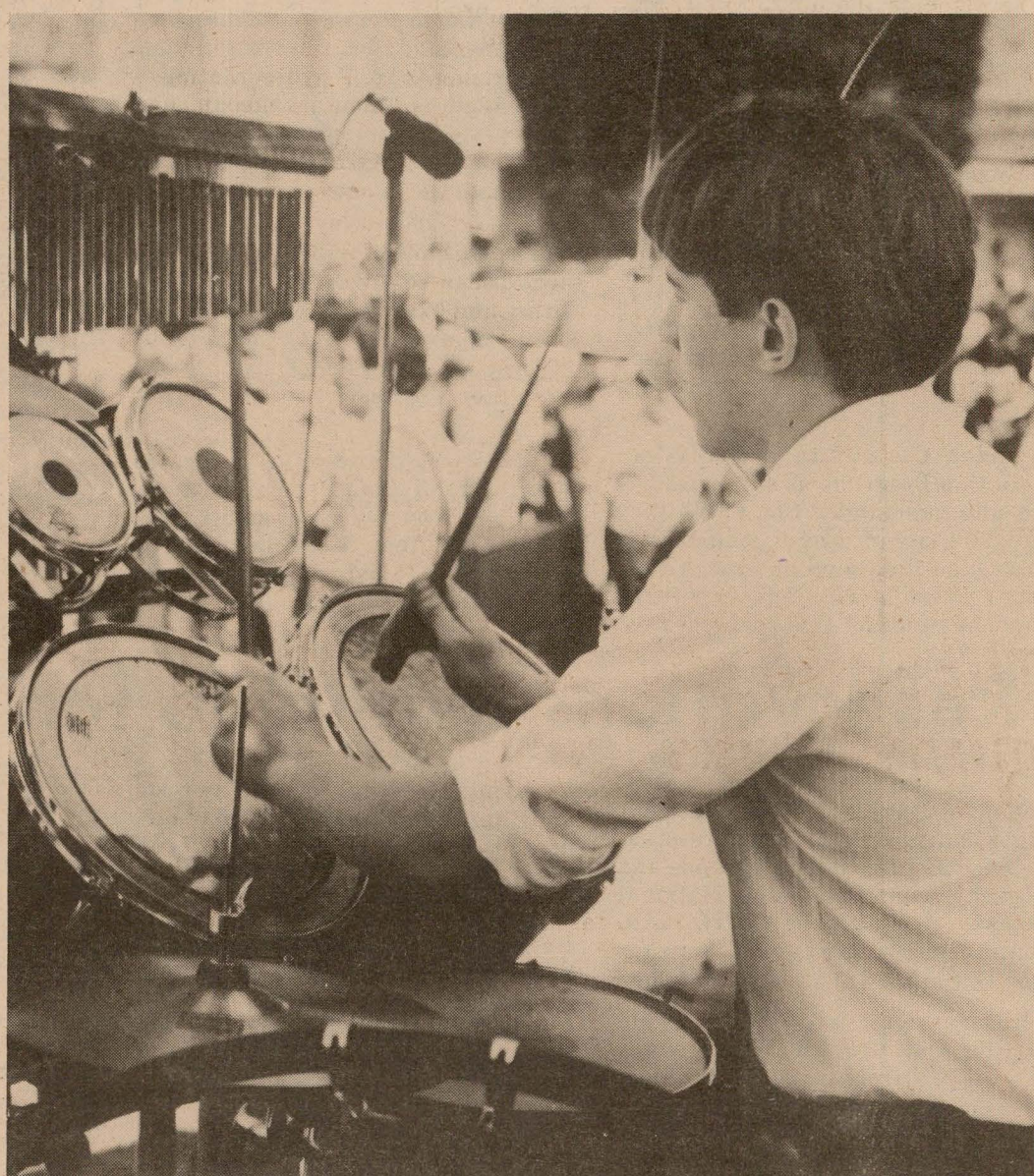
The Dixieland Band features American Jazz for the Mardi Gras lovers in the area.



The concert band at this year's Christmas Concert. Photo by W. Mackiel



The stage band performs at the Fairmont Hotel. Photo by H. Kinoshita



SP4 Gary Keener, Sixth Army's rock band drummer. Photo by John Green

Rape: it happens every 7 minutes

Editors note: Department of the Army officials have declared that an extensive campaign be implemented during March and April to raise the awareness levels of Army personnel about rape. Material for this article has been provided by the Armed Forces Information Service, law enforcement agencies and the Advertising Council.

by Bill Craig

It happens every seven minutes in the United States, every 11 hours in San Francisco and every three months in the Presidio.

Rape is the fastest growing violent crime in the country. As bad as these figures may seem, they do not even begin to reveal how often the crime actually occurs.

Law enforcement officials say that rape is one of the most under-reported of all crimes. A recent FBI report revealed that possibly more than half of the rapes which take place are not reported. It indicates that victims often choose not to notify authorities mainly because of fear of their assailants and possible embarrassment to themselves.

Sgt. James Benishek, Presidio crime prevention expert, advises post residents to learn the facts about rape. "Most people don't think it could happen to them. They feel that, because they are on a military installation, the likelihood of being sexually assaulted is not as great. This is not the case."

The fact is that rapes do occur on

post and they have increased in frequency at about the same rate as in the civilian community during the past year.

Benishek explains how a female soldier who was attacked recently at Baker Beach successfully defended herself and escaped from her attacker.

"She was approached by the man in an area of the beach where there were several other people. He began to make obscene remarks and she told him to go away and leave her alone.

When he persisted, she decided to leave. As she was walking toward the road, he jumped out at her from behind one of the bunkers. He shoved what he claimed was a weapon into her stomach and told her to follow him.

She waited until his attention was diverted by a passing car then struck him across the arm and ran for the road. He did not attempt to follow and ran off in the opposite direction."

Benishek noted that the woman had received some prior training in dealing with rape situations. He credited her ability to remain calm while waiting for the best opportunity to take defensive action as being a key factor in her successful escape.

The soldier, whose identity is being withheld while police seek her attacker, says she learned a lesson

about going to the beach alone. She said, "Before the incident, I didn't think it would be dangerous to go there alone because of all the people. From now on I'll go with a friend."

Benishek is coordinating with the San Francisco Police Department to arrange for a rape prevention specialist to give classes to post residents in the near future.

What if someone you know is a victim of rape

Rape is a terrible experience for the victim—and for her friends and family, too. If you know a rape victim, you may notice that she seems to act differently for a while—withdrawn, afraid, or unsure. You yourself may feel hurt, angry, or upset.

What can you do? First, show the person that you care. Give her your support by being available to spend time with her—have dinner, go to a movie, go shopping. Your friend may be afraid to be alone. Let her talk about the

crime if she wishes. Many women feel guilty or ashamed after a rape. They may feel that they didn't fight hard enough. They may blame themselves for being in the wrong place at the wrong time. You should let the victim know she did the right thing, just what she had to do to survive.

One final thing. It's important that the victim contact the police and, if the rapist is caught, that she go through with the trial. The support of friends and family members can help her through this difficult time.

Some measures to avoid being attacked

Benishek recommends the following preventative measures to reduce the possibility of being attacked:

Outside

Most rapes occur outside, on the street, in a park, playground or schoolyard. Be alert to your surroundings and the people around you when you're outside. . . particularly if you're alone or it's dark. Try these tips:

- Stay in well-lighted areas as much as possible.
- Walk confidently, directly, at a steady pace. A rapist looks for someone who appears vulnerable.
- Wear clothes and shoes that give you freedom of movement. Don't burden yourself with too many packages.

- If you think you are being followed, walk quickly to areas where there are lights and people. If a car appears to be following you, turn and walk in the opposite direction, or walk on the other side of the street.

- If you feel you are in danger, don't be reluctant to scream and run. Consider carrying a whistle or any type of noisemaker. And if you're in trouble, use it!

At home.

Many rapes occur in the victim's home, in a garage or an apartment laundry room. In some cases, the rapist may be a burglar who breaks into a house and unexpectedly finds someone home. In others, an attacker purposely looks for women home alone. So one of the best ways to prevent sexual assault is to protect your home.

- Make sure all doors are solid and sturdy. Entry doors should be solid core wood (at least 1¾ inches thick) or metal. Good locks—such as a deadbolt lock with a 1-inch throw—are a must. Don't rely on chain locks—an average-size man can easily break most chain locks.

- Have your locks changed or re-keyed when you move into a new house or apartment.

- Install a peephole viewer in your door.

- Install good exterior lighting around your house or apartment building.

- Someone selling something or making repairs? Always check identification before opening your door.

- Make sure all windows can be locked securely.

- If you come home and find a door or window open or signs of forced entry, don't go in. Go to the nearest phone and call police.

If you are attacked, there are several things to consider before deciding on a course of action. Experts say that your main concern should be your safety. Assume that the rapist is willing to use violence.

"Every woman should think about what defensive measures she would be willing to take if she were attacked by a rapist," says Benishek.

He recommends that women consider the options they may have to resist an attack in various situations. There are several methods a woman may employ to resist a sexual assault.

There are many ways to resist

In every rape, the attacker threatens the victim's safety or life. Sometimes a rapist threatens the victim's children or other family members. If you believe you might get hurt by defending yourself or if you're afraid to fight back, don't.

Submitting to a rape out of fear for your safety or your family's, does not mean that you consented. It is still a rape, and still a crime, even if you do not have a single cut or bruise. It should still be reported to the police. Victims who do not resist should never feel guilty: it is the rapist who committed the crime.

Passive Resistance.

Sometimes a victim may want to resist but is afraid to scream or fight back. In these cases, a more passive type of resistance may help to "defuse" the violence of the attacker. With passive resistance, you can:

- Try to calm the attacker. Talk to him and try to persuade him not to carry out the attack. If you win his

confidence you may be able to escape.

- Claim to be sick or pregnant. Tell him you have V.D. This may intimidate the attacker.

- Try to discourage the rapist. Some women pretend to faint, some cry hysterically, others act insane or mentally incapacitated.

- If you're at home, tell the attacker that a boyfriend is coming over, or that your husband or roommate will be home soon.

Active Resistance

Nobody can tell you whether active resistance—screaming, struggling, fighting back—will be the "right" thing to do. In some cases, it can frighten off or discourage the attacker. But resistance may also lead the rapist to become more violent, or increase his desire to subdue the victim.

There are many kinds of active resistance. Here are some pros and cons regarding the most common

ones:

- A scream can surprise or frighten an attacker away if he fears that people will come to help. But screaming won't help in isolated areas.

- A forceful struggle also may discourage the rapist. If you are not afraid to hurt someone, and can land a strong kick or hit, fighting back may give you the opportunity to escape. All hits or kicks must be forceful and should be aimed at vulnerable areas. A hard kick to the groin, a poke in the eyes, stamping on the attacker's instep, or a hard chop against the front of the throat might disable an attacker.

- Special self-defense courses such as judo or karate are very popular in some areas. Many women have taken courses to protect themselves from attack. If you are proficient in these techniques, they can be very effective. But proficiency takes continuous practice.

Time to spare

Cruise, canoe trips planned by Rec Center



Hang gliding fans can visit Ft. Funston on Sundays for an exciting show.

Photo by Jon Chelgren

A Sacramento River cruise is being planned for June by the Recreation Center. A canoe trip is also being planned for July 18 down the Russian River. For more information about these trips contact the Recreation Center at 561-2000.

A few spaces are available for the center's **Easter novelty class**. Learn to make panoramic sugar mold Easter eggs starting April 1 at 7:30 p.m. The class lasts two weeks and the cost is \$8.

On April 27 at 8:30 p.m. the **Golden Bough Quartet** will perform at the Rec Center. Admission is \$1 and includes refreshments.

The Rec Center would like to start a daytime **bread-making class**. If you are interested give them a call at 561-2000.

An **eight week quilting class** open to teenagers and adults will begin Mar. 28 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. at the Presidio Heights Playground, located at Clay and Walnut Streets. Students will learn basic patchwork, applique and quilting, also pattern enlarging, borders and mix and match. They will learn basic skills in the making of heirloom quilts. Students should know how to sew a simple running stitch. Cost for the class is \$5 and includes all supplies. For more information contact the Recreation and Parks Department at 558-4268.

On Thursday, March 26 at 7 p.m., the initial meeting of the Presidio **Modern Western Square Dance** Group will be held at the community center, Bldg. 1299. This group is being formed at the request of personnel interested in such an activity.

The group is open to all post personnel, military, dependents, civilians and retirees.

Three children's theatre productions continue during the Saturday Bean Bag Theatre series at San Francisco State University. "The Tragical Comedy of Punch and Judy" will be performed Saturday at noon and 2 p.m. "Puss 'N Boots" is scheduled for April 4 at 10:30 a.m. and noon and April 11 at noon and 2 p.m. "Scupper Dippers" will close the series with performances on April 25 and May 2 at noon and 2 p.m.

All performances will be held at the Creative Arts Building in room 104. Tickets are \$1 for adults and 50¢ for children. For reservations or further information contact the Creative Arts box office at (415) 469-2467. The box office is open from noon to 4 p.m. weekdays.

A jazz-rock trio, the **Red Seal Band**, will perform in concert at the Golden Gate Park Bandshell Saturday from noon to 3 p.m.

at the movies

Presidio Theater

Mar. 26	Caddyshack (R)	7 p.m.
Mar. 27	Autograph Hound	7 p.m.
Mar. 28	The Aristocats (G)	2 p.m.
Mar. 28	The Aristocats (G)	7 p.m.
Mar. 29	The Formula (R)	7 p.m.
Mar. 30	The Formula (R)	7 p.m.
Mar. 31	The Hunter (PG)	7 p.m.
Apr. 1	Soldier of Orange	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Mar. 26	Dr. Heckyl and Mr. Hyde (R)	7 p.m.
Mar. 27	Survival Run (R)	7 p.m.
Mar. 30	The Aristocats (G)	7 p.m.
Mar. 31	The Formula (R)	7 p.m.
Apr. 1	The Formula (R)	7 p.m.

Mahoney's magnificent minutiae

Here is this week's collection of questions, for you connoisseurs of tantalizing trivia, developed by the Master of Magnificent Minutiae, Bob Mahoney. Submit your answers to this week's list on a postcard or plain sheet of paper along with your name and address to: Mahoney's Minutiae, c/o The Star Presidian, Bldg. 37, Presidio of San Francisco, CA 94129. The first entry bearing the most correct entries will be declared a winner and eligible for entry into our annual Star Presidian Magnificent Minutiae Contest. This week's winner and answers will be published in the next edition.

1. Was the name of the 16th president of the United States Millard Fillmore or Ben Johnson?

2. What was Kojak's (Telly Savalas) trademark?

3. What is the oldest, continuously active Army installation in the United States?

4. What numerical designation was assigned to the Americal Division?

5. If you were at the headquarters of the Army's Rapid Deployment Force, where would you be?

6. What was the original name of the city of San Francisco?

(LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS: 1. Kal-el, 2. Pete Best, 3. 1869, 4. Reno, 5. Gen Ormar Bradley, 6. Kentucky, Virginia, Pennsylvania and Massachusetts)

Presidio News Notes

Tasters delight

The April luncheon for the Presidio Officers Wives Club will be an "International Tasters Delight" on April 2 at the Log Cabin Community Center.

Social hour is at 12:30 and luncheon shortly thereafter. There is no charge for this luncheon. The price of admission is your favorite dish along with the recipe for it, and a serving utensil.

Champagne punch and fruit punch will be provided. The program will include a demonstration of how to make an edible centerpiece. If anyone needs a ride from the Officers Club to the Log Cabin, call Sandy Halsey at 561-5289 or Marge Hills at 592-2537. For reservations, call Jan Lape at 561-4343 or Nancy Svendsen at 561-2955.

Garage sale

Do you have any items in your garage (or locker) that you don't need or want?

If so, bring them to the San Francisco USO at 530 Taylor St., which will put them into the world's largest

garage sale. That's the KYA annual world's largest indoor garage sale at Fort Mason April 11 & 12. San Francisco USO will be one of the non-profit organizations participating in it.

Any donation would be welcome. Pots, pans, piggy banks, posters, paintings, parasols, parachutes, old clothes, anything you think someone else might buy. Help USO keep its recreation/referral agency for the military going with your goodwill and gifts.

USO is open seven days a week at 530 Taylor St., between Geary & Post. Bring your donations to USO anytime from noon till 8 p.m. before Thursday, April 9. Call 885-0234 for further information.

Equal opportunity

An equal opportunity unit discussion leaders course will be conducted April 6-10 at the Presidio Community Center, Bldg. 1299, Fort Scott, beginning at 8 a.m.

This course is mandatory for all unit EO representatives and open to other designated personnel on a space available basis. Names of attendees should be submitted to

SFC Mary Allen, Presidio Equal Opportunity Office, ext. 3701/5730.

The semi-annual Equal Opportunity Executive Seminar will be conducted on April 7 at the Presidio Noncommissioned Officers Club. The subject will be sexual harassment. It will be given by Mr. Stephen Anderson-Davis, a noted lecturer in the field of equal opportunity. This seminar is limited to 40 spaces. A command letter has been published allocating seats to each command, directorate and staff chief. Please notify the Equal Opportunity Office ext. 3701/5730 of attendees. Point of contact is SSgt. Williams.

The Presidio Parent/Youth Club is having its monthly parents meeting on April 1 at 7 p.m. at the Presidio Community Center, Fort Scott. For more information please call Mrs. Sam Sherwood, ext. 4971.

Leaders wanted

WANTED: Adult leadership for the American Red Cross "Summer Youth" volunteer program at LAMC. This program introduces the young volunteer to the inside workings of the hospital.

contact Mrs. Morrow in the Red Cross office, phone 561-2180/2187.

Sports

Quakes defeat Viking Pirates here, 3-2

by Roko J. Smiljanic

The Presidio Earthquakes defeated the Viking Pirates 3-2 at Paul Goode Soccer Field to raise their record to 3-1.

Robbie McAuley scored two goals and Kevin Gross scored one goal to lead the Quakes to victory. The Quakes opened the scoring and went ahead 2-1 at the half on Gross's goal.

The Pirates tied the score in the opening minutes of the second half. McAuley's second goal put the Quakes ahead and the defense lead by Jimmy Saldubehere, Peter Stewart, Bo Branch and Time Sexton kept the ball in the Quakes end of the field for the rest of the game.



photo by R.J. Smiljanic

DYA offering variety of youth sports programs

A gymnastics class is being offered by Morale Support Activities' DYA branch for youngsters ages 4 thru 19. Lessons will begin April 1 at Post Gym No. 1.

A one-hour class will meet every Wednesday or Friday until May 6. Cost will be \$12 per student for the entire six-week course.

Fees will be refunded only for

insufficient registration. Girls should wear leotards and slippers. Boys should wear shorts and tennis shoes.

Registration fees will be accepted at Morale Support Activities, Bldg. 122, from 8-12 a.m. For more information, call the DYA office at ext 5143.

DYA baseball

Boys and girls 7 thru 14 years of age can still sign-up for DYA baseball. Contact Mr. Karl Gaffney, DYA Sports Commissioner, at ext 2070/5328.

Fees will be \$3.50 per child or \$6 per family. Proof of birthdate is necessary at time of registration (birth certificate only). The program is open

to boys and girls between 7-14 years of age. Ages and tryout times are as follows:

DYA soccer

The Presidio Strikers DYA soccer team is looking for players to participate in the upcoming Police Athletic League season.

To be eligible, players must have been at least six years old on January 1, 1981 and not over seven on the same date.

Registration will be conducted today and tomorrow from 4-5:30 p.m. and again on Saturday from 3-4 p.m. For more information call ext. 2005 from 8-4 p.m. or 221-5732 after duty hours.

Sports shorts

Team golf

Intramural golf started March 19 with six teams participating. 6th ARMY No. 1 defeated LAIR No. 1, 5-4. 6th ARMY No. 2 defeated LAIR No. 2, 6-3. And Army Readiness Region Nine defeated USAG, 6-3. 504th MP BN drew a bye.

All matches are played under the three point system. Low gross score of 81 was posted by Robert Young playing for 6th ARMY No. 1.

Volleyball win

The Presidio Post Volleyball Team travelled to McClellan Air Force Base for a volleyball tournament on March 22 and came back with a second place finish.

Rules meeting

The 1981 Intramural Slow Pitch Softball competition will begin May 4.

American Softball Association Slow Pitch Softball rules, except those modified by the sports branch, will be used for all games.

A rules interpretation meeting will be held April 28 at 1:30 at the post gym No. 1.

All units entering a team must have a team representative present.

Archery tourney

The FORSCOM Field Archery Tournament will be conducted at Fort Campbell, Ky., May 18-22. The Presidio is authorized to send two qualified individuals to this competition.

Experienced coaching by Noli Manas is available. Contact the Sports Branch Office, ext. 4120/5032, if interested.

Bowlers wanted

The Presidio of San Francisco will enter a male and female bowling team in the FORSCOM Bowling Tournament, April 27-May 1, at Ft. Ord.

Active duty military personnel assigned to or attached to this installation are authorized to participate. For additional information, contact the tournament director, Mr. Tauaese Tauaese at ext. 5051/4120.

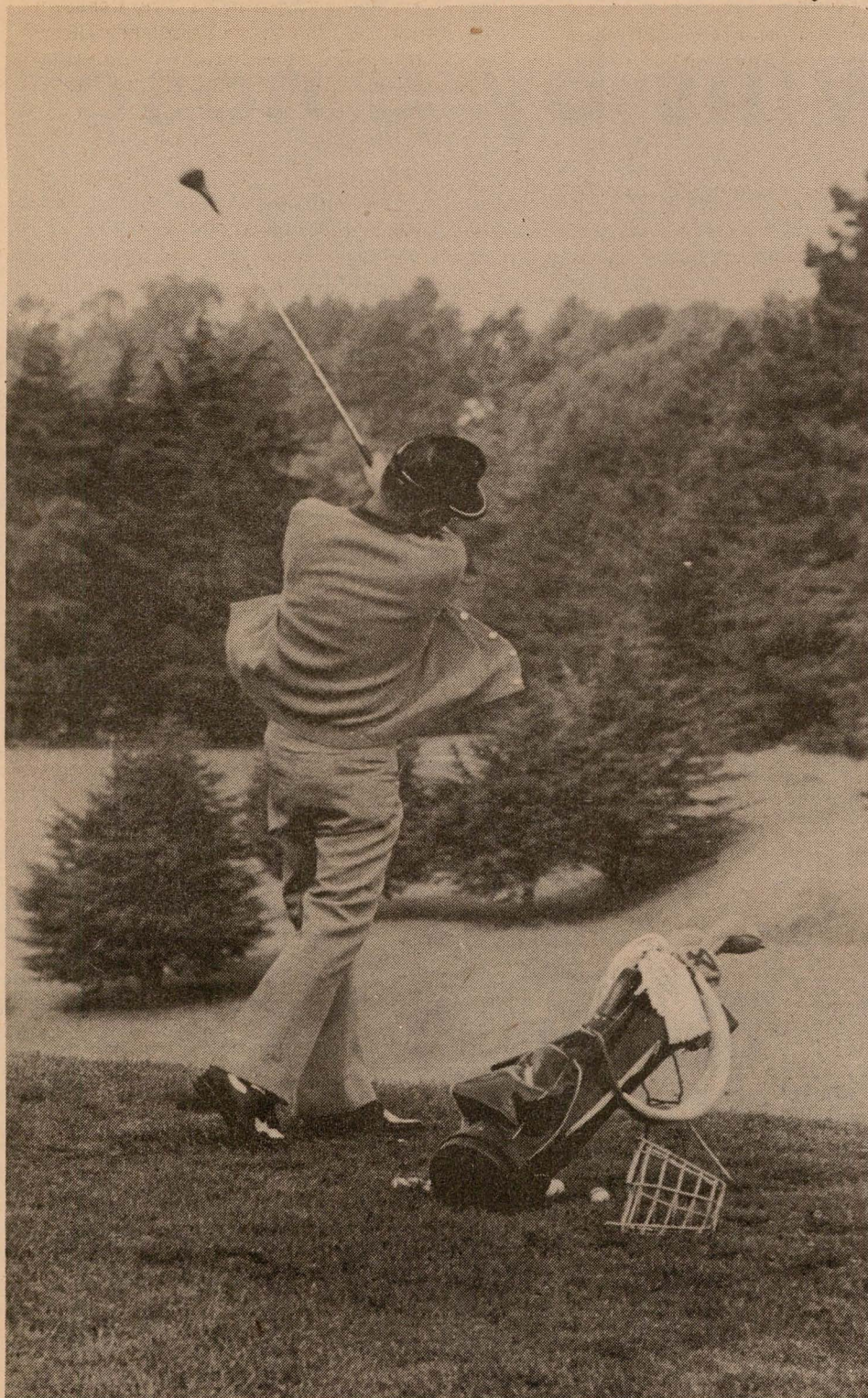


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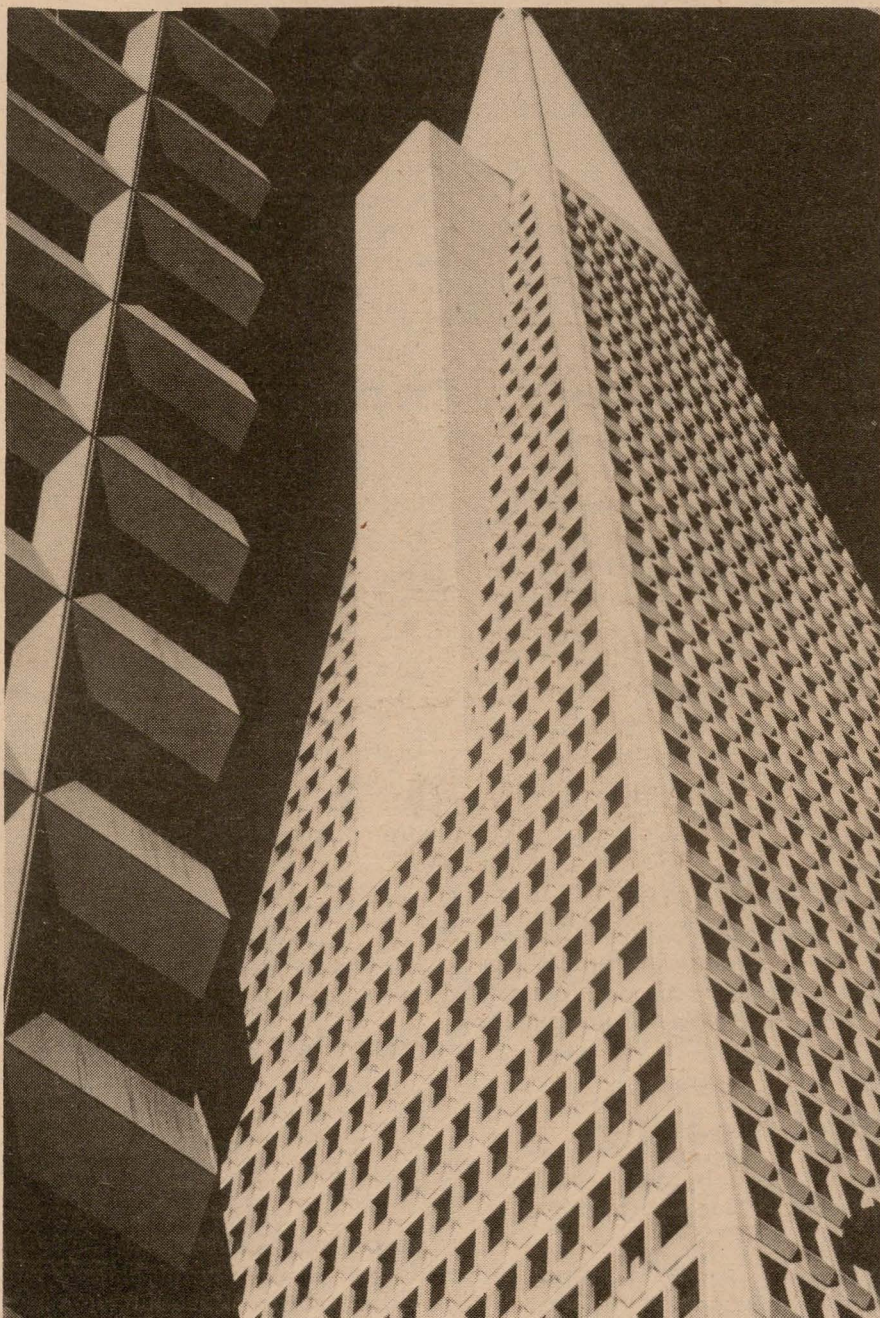
Intramural golf began this week at the Presidio Army Golf Club.



Mac Roberts' winning entry of his daughter's horse.

Top photo of the quarter

Mac Roberts wins by a nose



The TransAmerica Building by F.L. Terry.

MAC Roberts of the Civilian Personnel Office ran away from the competition in the Star Presidian's 'photo of the quarter' competition.

Our panel of five independent judges cast their votes for what they felt were the three best photos from all of this quarter's photo of the week winners.

Tony Rose's skyline shot and F.L. Terry's unusual view of the Transamerica Bldg. earned them a tie for the runner up spot in the competition.

Our three winners were given Star Presidian Headliner awards for their entries, and the first place winner will move on to the Photo of the Year competition.



San Francisco's skyline by Tony Rose.

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New parking policy should help reduce scenes like this.

Photo by Tim Dewar

Driver is cited

2 hurt in accident

A one car accident which occurred at the intersection of Washington Street and Park Avenue on Saturday, resulted in minor injuries to a San Francisco couple.

According to the military police report, Thomas A. Keating of San Francisco, was driving east on Washington Street when his car slid off the south side of the road. The car then struck a tree and came to a stop near

the intersection of Washington and Park Avenue.

Keating sustained a two inch cut on his left leg. Gerda Keating, a passenger in the car, sustained unknown injuries. Both were treated at Letterman Army Medical Center and released.

Keating was cited for a violation of the California Vehicle Code's Basic Speed Law.

USAG soldier convicted

A Presidio soldier was found guilty Friday on charges of possession of cocaine and having a loaded and unregistered handgun.

PFC Nathan L. Lillard, 22, assigned to Headquarters Company, US Army Garrison, Presidio, was sentenced by special court-martial to confinement for three months, forfeiture of \$100 per month for three months and reduction to the grade of E-1.

Because of a pre-trial agreement, Lillard, a native of Chicago, will only serve two months confinement and forfeit only two of the three months fine.

According to Capt. Jeannie Bartlett, who prosecuted the case, Lillard was found on the morning of Dec. 20 asleep inside the Presidio Provost Marshal office building.

When military policemen approached him, they noticed that Lillard had a loaded .25 caliber handgun in his hand. The gun later turned out to be unregistered. Both are violations of Presidio regulations.

Investigators also discovered residual amounts of cocaine on Lillard even though he had already consumed unspecified amounts of the drug.

Due in several weeks

New parking policy now being staffed

The new parking policy which was to have been in operation here Wednesday will not be in effect for several more weeks according to a Presidio official.

Major William A. Vencill, Jr., headquarters commandant and parking policy proponent, says the new policy has been delayed until it can be completely staffed. Staffing of the policy through Presidio directorates is now taking place.

According to Vencill, the close staffing is necessary to ensure that the policy is equitable and that it is enforceable. "There's no sense in implementing a policy that doesn't work," he says.

Vencill expects for the staffing of the new parking policy to be completed this week and in regulation form before the middle of April.

Details of the new policy have not been announced but Vencill says regulatory requirements and the local situation will determine the language.

Current Department of Defense regulations make it mandatory for parking spaces to be reserved for handicapped and car and van pool vehicles.

Although it is not required by existing regulations, common policy at all installations throughout the

Army is for parking spaces to be reserved for commanders and military vehicles.

According to Vencill, the Presidio parking policy will follow regulations and common practices. "Only the quantity and locations need to be better fixed than they are now," he says.

The parking policy for the Presidio requires changing because of a recent ruling by a U.S. District Court judge that found it to be illegal for the federal government to charge military personnel and civilians for parking. The pay-to-park policy began in November 1979 but was never popular with the command. Repeated attempts by the command failed to overturn the ruling here at the Presidio.

Vencill says that one of the simplest, most efficient ways of meeting the parking situation is ridesharing. He points out that ridesharing is not for everybody, but for those who can, ridesharing can save time, money, gas and a "lot of aggravation."

For information on ridesharing such as carpools, club buses and carpools, call the headquarters commandant's office at ext. 2852. Or call direct to the two, non-profit ridesharing organizations serving the Presidio. They are the Golden Gate's ridesharing service at 921-5858 in San Francisco or 457-310 in Marin, and Rides for Bay Area Commuters Inc. at 861-POOL or 996-POOL.

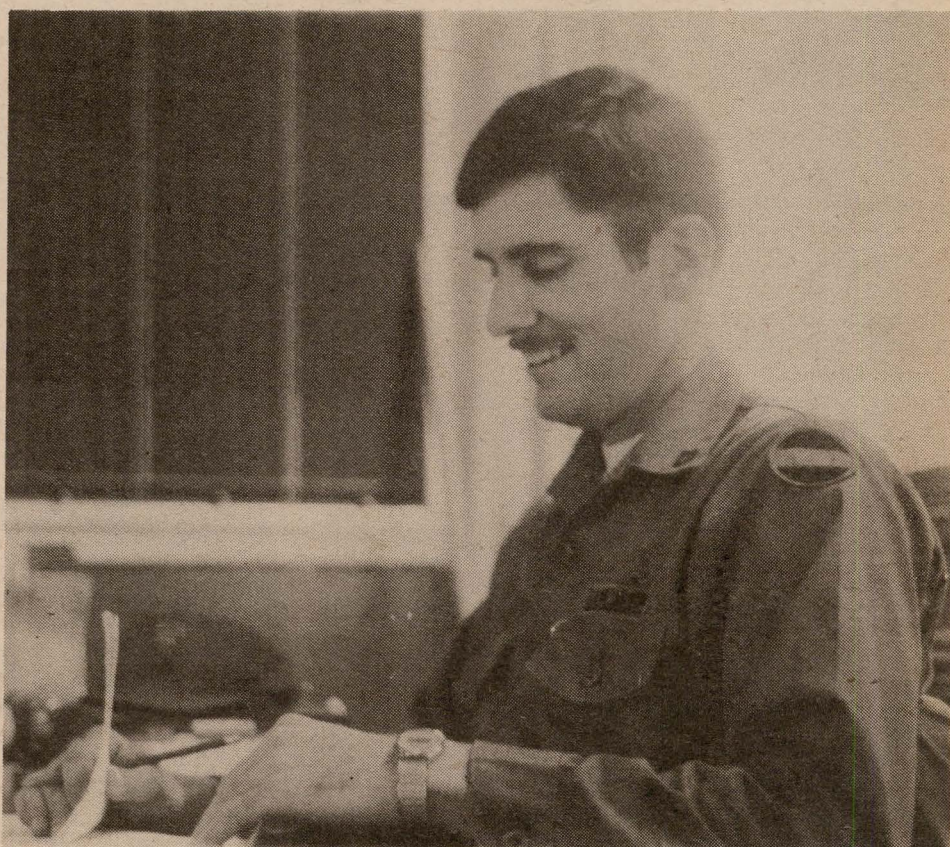


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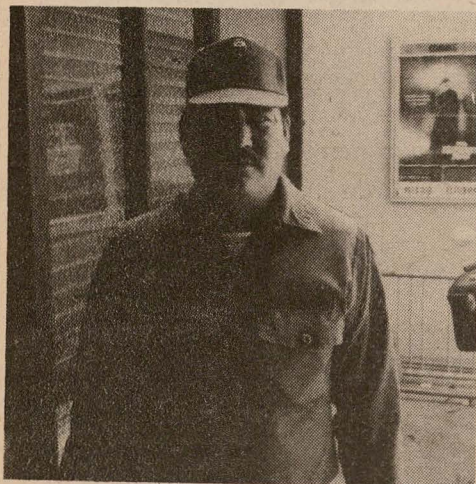
Soldier of the month

PFC Craig Broadbent, Facilities Engineer liason at the 864th Engineer Battalion, was named Presidio Soldier of the Month for March. The 22 year old Long Beach native has been stationed here since last July. He has applied for Warrant Officer Flight Training and recently volunteered for duty in Korea. In his off duty time, Broadbent takes computer programming courses at City College of San Francisco.

Opinion

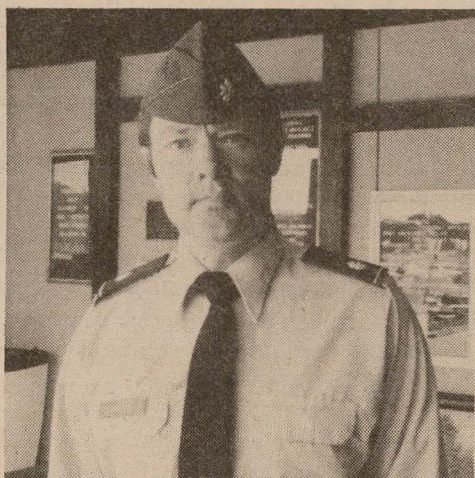
Ramblin' Sam

Do you think the Presidio should remain an open post, or should personnel be assigned to limit access at the gates?



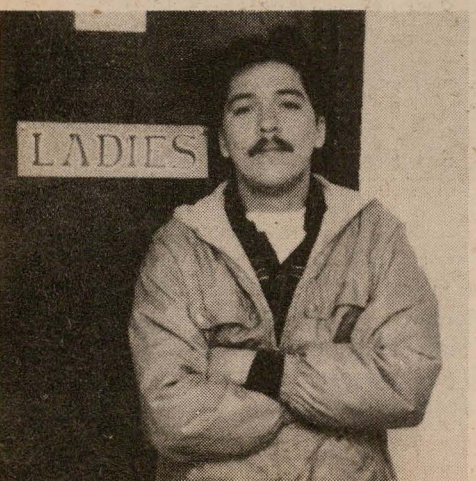
SSgt. Alexander Stepanoff, USAG I think it's a good idea to keep the Presidio just the way it is. I have been here for over a year and I think it is just fine the way it is.

Lt. Col. Kenneth Lamison, Sixth Army Yes it should remain open, I think it is a good idea for the people paying taxes to see what goes on inside Army posts.



Rita Freeman I think it should remain open because it's a scenic place and a lot of tourists enjoy it. As far as I know there is no security problem, so why shouldn't it remain open.

Capt. Richard Phinney, LAMC Yes it should remain open. There is no reason to close it and there is access to other parts of the city through the Presidio and if you closed them, it would slow everything down.



PFC David Majalca, 170th MP Co. I think there should be some limitation on entry due to the fact that the majority of arrests are civilians and if there was a gate guard, much of the crime on the Presidio could be prevented.

Commentary

Some idle thoughts on getting even

by K. Douglas Cook

From the time we're very little, we're told that it's a better person who can turn the other cheek. Revenge is supposed to be an undesirable feeling. If so, why does it feel so good when we get it!?

I was thinking about this feeling of "getting even" the other day while the person who lives just below me was attempting to set a new world's record for sound endurance with her stereo. First the thought of taking up klogging at midnight occurred to me. Then I began thinking about other times we look for revenge.

For example, there are approximately 84,000 people who work for the IRS. I wonder how it would make us feel to know each of them would be audited by us!

Many of you probably recall the flower-power, love children of the Sixties and early Seventies who so graciously welcomed those of us returning from Vietnam. Somehow it seems stimulating to think of the same people coming to us, asking for a job.

Taxi cab and bus drivers have to make a living. However, considering the manner in which they apply courtesy on the road, it might be fascinating to just once have a battering ram mounted on the front of your car.

Muggers and rapists have tended to make evening walks in the park less than enjoyable. One begins to wonder for how long they would con-

tinue their activities if they found themselves facing a large, angry crowd.

Life in the fast lane of any freeway is filled with excitement, especially when the person just behind you in a large bus is an individual absolutely convinced you should go faster than 70 miles-per-hour. How sweet the feeling to have a Highway Patrolman riding with you, complete with a ticket book.

Speaking of traveling, it's still a pain to get through an airport terminal. Seems like there are more organized groups selling something than there are travelers! Maybe those of us in the federal employ should start carrying applications for Savings Bonds or enlistment papers.

How many times have you purchased something from a store which was (1) guaranteed to work or your money cheerfully refunded or (2) easy to assemble with only a screwdriver and wrench? Maybe the banks and credit card companies could print "If What I Just Bought Works... So Will This!" on our checks or credit cards.

Oh the list could go on and on. One could consider rude waiters, polluters of the environment, companies who make unsafe products, unethical politicians and a variety of other such blights upon humanity.

Maybe someday there will be enough of us who really do care that what's now called revenge will be given a new label. Justice.

Letters to the Editor...

Editor

This is to ask your assistance in locating fellow military and civilian employees at the Presidio who, I believe, were wrongly given traffic violations by military police representatives last Thursday, in front of buildings 38 and 39.

Since I intend to contest the citation and I am certain the other eight individuals probably agree, I believe a group appearance before the magistrate would be more meaningful and less disruptive to the operations here at the Presidio.

Since the MP's admittedly do not publicize the fact in advance, I would also appreciate your informing readers that parking in front of Sixth Army headquarters buildings is illegal on the last Thursday of every

month at any time of day prior to the retirement ceremony.

Even if a barrier is placed in the middle of the street after duty hours begin, those who are already parked there will be cited and fined \$50.00.

John Campbell
ext. 2871

Editor

The Sixth Army Band gave a concert on the 25th of March. It was announced on the 19th in the Star Presidian. Supposedly it was a command-sponsored band concert. However only the families of the band members showed up. There was no representation by the command. I'm wondering why this happened since the concert was very well done.

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Photo by Jon Chelgren
Margaret Stallings works with children at the Presidio Day Care Center.

New child care van rolls onto Presidio

A new concept in professional child care education has been launched at the Presidio according to Lt. Col. Larrie Wanberg of Letterman Army Medical Center.

Wanberg, project manager for the Joint Services Child Care Project, directs the San Francisco Bay Area operation from the Presidio. Serving 12 military installations from Fort Ord in the south to Travis Air Force Base in the north, the project provides professional education, training and consultation to the individual installation child care facilities.

To date, more than 150 child care givers and 1200 children have benefitted from the program.

One of the most visible aspects of the project is the "Sam Van," a 24 foot mini-bus converted into a mobile resource classroom. Moving from installation to installation, the Sam Van is staffed by professional consultants specializing in early childhood education to provide on-site support to the local staffs.

Locally, the Presidio Child Care complex has been supplemented recently with the addition of a SHARE Center which has altered the more traditional form of child care, according to Neel Stallings, one of the project coordinators and professional consultant.

The SHARE Center lets children of various ages mix with each other as well as the care givers, which provide role models.

Visits of the Sam Van to the various installations include actual demonstrations of the items available for loan through the "lending library" concept operating on the van. The professional consultants who travel with the van, Neel Stallings and her sister, Margaret, as well as Mrs. Barbara Knight, assist in the education and training of the volunteers and other workers at the installation level.

The project, funded jointly by the Bay Area United Way and the Department of Health and Human Services, is unique in the military community. While there are other similar programs in operation throughout the United States, Wanberg feels that this is by far "the best there is."



Photo by Jon Chelgren
Lt. Col. Ernie Norman and friend.

Presidio museum to open great earthquake exhibit

One of the most comprehensive exhibits ever assembled on San Francisco's Great Earthquake of 1906 will open at the Presidio Army Museum April 18 at 1 p.m.

Nearly 100 survivors of the quake will be on hand for the ceremonies, which mark the 75th anniversary of the disaster, according to museum curator Eric Saul.

Saul says that the exhibit—one of only two earthquake displays in the San Francisco—will include a more than 100 previously unpublished

photographs, several large photo murals, three dioramas depicting scenes from the earthquake as well as a variety of memorabilia from the tragedy.

Speaking of the earthquake, Saul says that the Army and the Presidio is credited with saving the city from total destruction by the fires that followed the quake.

Measuring 8.2 on the Richter scale, the quake ripped through San Francisco in the early morning hours of April 18, 1906. Although it lasted less than a minute, the earthquake

and its after shocks touched fires that raged for three and a half days. Adding to the problems, Saul says, was the fact that the earthquake broke water mains leaving firemen with no water pressure and little means to stop the fires from spreading.

Under the command of General Funston, Presidio soldiers dynamited blocks of buildings along Van Ness Avenue to make a fire break. After the fires ravaged Nob, Telegraph and Russian Hills, the break allowed the fire to burn itself out and saved the rest of the city.

"The interesting thing about the quake," Saul says, "is that it brought everyone together. Businessmen and bankers were out clearing rubble from Market Street. Two-thirds of the city was homeless and had to camp out for six months."

Jokingly calling the earthquake, "God's urban renewal," Saul says that 65 percent of the city's buildings were destroyed by the quake and the fires that followed. Saul, who recently authored a book on the subject, claims the damage from the earthquake ran as high as one billion dollars.

Military airlift command offers savings on travel

While the list of commercial airlines offering a 50 percent furlough rate grows, at least one "airline" is not dropping their rates.

The airline—the Military Airlift Command (MAC)—already offers soldiers and their dependents significant savings when it comes to traveling on leave. For a charge of \$10 on overseas hops, soldiers can catch a ride to places like Alaska, Hawaii or the Orient.

According to Tech Sgt. Charles West, MAC travel out of Travis Air

Force Base can send leave-bound soldiers and retirees anywhere in the Pacific except Bangkok and Australia. He notes that while no direct flights are available to those locations, connections can be made onto other MAC flights leaving Hawaii.

West says that nearly all of the Travis MAC flights head to the Pacific but that occasionally planes do fly to Germany.

Catching a hop, West says, is the hardest during the summer months

and around the holidays because "everyone is down here wanting to fly."

He says that waiting for a flight during those periods can mean anywhere from one to 10 days delay.

When travelling MAC, West says that soldiers must have their ID cards and leave papers. Depending on the country being visited, travelers may also need a passport and visa, West advises, and should check with the respective consulate before making travel plans.

The key to MAC travel, West says, is allowing time to catch hops. "Space A travel means just that—space available," he says. "You can't expect to plan your trip to the point of choosing what flight you want. If there is a plane going out and there is space, fine. If not you just have to wait for one."

West says soldiers wanting flight information on scheduled hops should call 438-2311. For more information on MAC procedures, he suggests persons call 438-3431.

Military police investigate three larcenies, one petty theft

Military police investigated three larcenies and one case of shoplifting on post this week.

A car-battery valued at \$49 was stolen from a car belonging to Maj. Robert J. McAuley sometime Monday afternoon. The car was parked near 10-A Funseth Street when the incident occurred.

MPs have closed the investigation pending receipt of additional information.

Later Monday, MPs were informed of the reported theft of a wristwatch which had occurred the previous night.

According to the MP report, the complainant fell asleep on the first floor landing in his barracks building. While he was asleep his watch was removed.

The watch was valued at \$150.

Pvt. Alex M. Thierry, notified military police on Sunday that someone had broken into his wall locker during the weekend and stolen his camera.

The report indicated that Thierry's locker was unsecured at the time the theft occurred. The camera, a Pentax ME 35 mm with a zoom lens, was valued at \$450.

Post Exchange security officers apprehended Dorothy R. Tillman, a

San Francisco resident, and cited her on shoplifting charges on Saturday.

At 3:45 p.m., according to the report, the two security men spotted Tillman placing a four dollar scarf inside a newspaper. She then put the paper into her pocket and walked out of the store.

They stopped her outside the Main Exchange. Tillman was cited on DD Form 1805 and released.

504th MP Bn color guard

Putting our best foot forward

by Bill Craig

Taking the Army into Bay Area communities and giving them reason to feel pride in their military is the reason six soldiers from the Presidio work overtime.

They are members of the 504th Military Police Battalion's Color Guard, the unit which represents the Army and the Presidio at civic events all over the Bay Area. The unit, which is composed of volunteers, has been termed the "most effective community relations asset on the Presidio".

Since, in many cases, seeing the guard color is the only contact many civilians have with the military, they play a vital role in conveying a positive image of the Army to our civilian neighbors.

No event is too large or too small for an appearance by the color guard. Sgt. Jerry France, NCOIC of the guard notes that in the past year they have played to audiences ranging from just a few people to crowds of several thousand.

"We do quite a few meetings and luncheons but also serve in parades, city ceremonies and major league sports events," says France.

When asked how the color guard is received by its civilian audiences, he

replied, "In almost every case the crowds are very warm and receptive. We received the first place trophy in the San Leandro Veteran's Day Parade last year."

France, 27, is a native of Martinsville VA. He was formerly assigned to the Third Infantry (Old Guard) in the nation's capitol.

Other members of the 504th Color Guard are SP4 Richard Robison, 23, of Fallon Nev.; SP4 Stephen Jeffries, 20, San Francisco; Cpl Lee Landers, 23, Exeter, Calif.; and PFC Philip Styron, 20, of Hauppauge, NY.

Robison, Jeffries and Landers are military policemen. France is a plumbing and water purification specialist and Styron is a supply specialist.

France added that there are now openings for junior enlisted soldiers to serve in the color guard. Applications will be accepted from all qualified prospects E-5 and below.

He emphasized that the requests must be processed through the individual's unit before being forwarded to the 504th MP Bn.

Anyone interested in getting more information on how to apply should contact Sgt. France or MSgt. Dan McGinley at the battalion operations section.



Presidio's color guard precision stepping in a parade.

Photo by H. Kinoshita

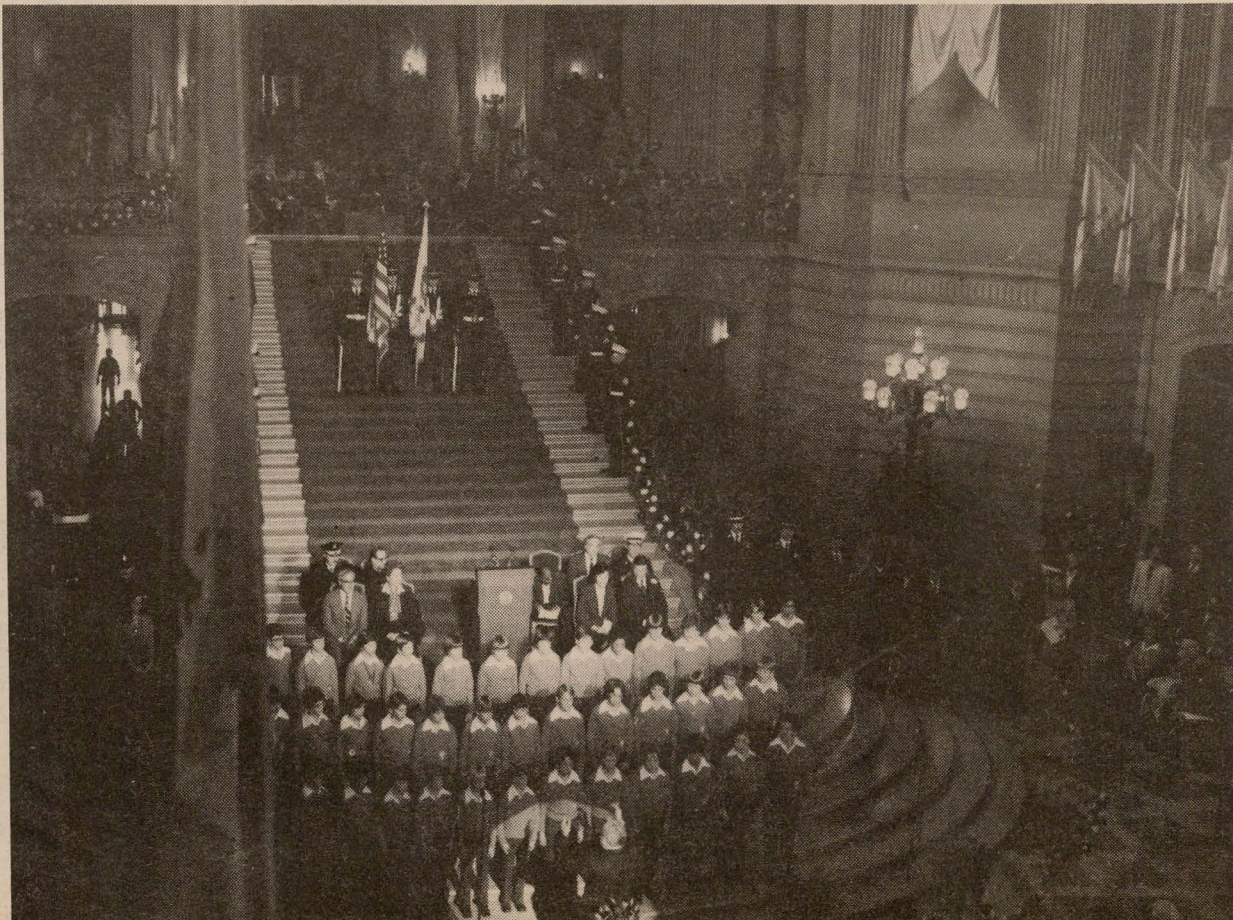


Sp4 Richard Robison shines his helmet.

Photo by Bill Craig



PFC Styron adjusts the sling on his rifle.



The color guard performs at the inauguration of San Francisco Mayor, Dianne Feinstein.

Photo by H. Kinoshita

Residents urged to fight pollution

by K. Douglas Cook

There are some 7,000 people, military and civilian, who occupy the Presidio each work day. Add to this number the tourists and other visitors and, the Presidio, for its size, it is a very active Army post!

This installation, which is the oldest, active post in the Army system, is also a fragile environmental community, according to Alex Maciejewicz, Environmental Engineer and Coordinator for the post.

To understand how delicate the balance is here, Maciejewicz uses the term "Ecosystem." This word refers to the mixture of biological and physical elements found on and around the Presidio. It covers human beings, insects, plants, chemicals and even the dirt.

Maciejewicz, who is assigned to the Directorate of Facilities Engineering (DFAE), is, to a large degree, responsible for assisting the commander and post engineer in protecting and maintaining the environmental balance of the post.

"I assist in the implementation of the Presidio environmental program through the conduct of awareness classes. I also aid in insuring the Army in San Francisco is always in compliance with local, state and federal laws relating to environmental protection."

He says it's somewhat understandable why people don't readily see their actions as being a threat to the fragile environmental balance, but is quick to emphasize that it is important that Presidio residents and workers must be aware of how their actions affect the environment.

"One obvious part of our ecosystem is the water on and bordering the Presidio," says Maciejewicz. "We have prime coastal waters which have a significant life-supporting and recreational value. Further, there's Lobos Creek which supplies some 80 percent of the Presidio's drinking water."

The environmental engineer refers to the impact of just one cup of oil. By itself, this single cup of oil can seem fairly insignificant. Yet, if the some 7,000 people on the Presidio spilled or poured out one cup of oil each, this quickly adds up to almost 438 gallons of pollution!

"A person might not see the extreme danger of draining a car's crankcase down a storm drain or onto a patch of dirt, for example," explains Maciejewicz. "Yet, with the flow of the man-made drainage system and the natural water flow after a rain shower, this oil will end up in the coastal waters or in Lobos Creek!"

According to federal environmental laws, any such drainage into water which produces a film on the water can be considered a violation of these laws.

The full-time residents of the Presidio are asked to consider another example of how their actions can and do affect the environment. There are approximately 1300 quarters on the Presidio. If, during the course of a normal week, the residents of these quarters poured only one cup of cooking oil down the kitchen drain, this would produce over 81 gallons of pollution which may end up in the water!

Examples such as this can be related to actions in the motor pool, fueling point, dining facilities, in office building and at the various laboratories on the Presidio.

Maciejewicz points to three basic environmental concepts which illustrate how isolated, single actions can and do become part of a much more serious problem:

- Everything in the environment is related to everything else. An action in a home or on the job will have an affect elsewhere, whether on humans, on animals or the land.

- There's no such place as "Away." Nothing is ever really thrown away or disposed of. The material may change form, but it still exists somewhere.

- Nature generally knows best. It has taken literally millions of years for plants and other living things to develop. Yet the actions of humans who are relative newcomers to the earth can alter this delicate process in hours through unthinking pollution!

"It is the responsibility of each person on the Presidio to protect the air, water, land and life systems around us," says Maciejewicz. "We (DFAE) have classes and briefings available to show how this can be done."

In the months ahead, additional information and training material will be provided to members of the Presidio community. These materials will help protect the natural assets enjoyed by all Presidians against unthinking damage and pollution.

DA reports that some EM are due a refund

Presidio supply officials report that enlisted personnel who purchased field jackets between October and January may be entitled to a refund.

Prior to Oct. 1, enlisted personnel had one field jacket as a part of their personal clothing bag. Upon arrival at a Unit, they were issued a second field jacket as organizational equipment. This second jacket was turned in upon departure from the unit.

Effective Oct. 1, the second field jacket became a personal clothing bag item and DA directed that a second jacket be issued to all enlisted personnel whose clothing record indicated no previous issue.

In order to comply with clothing requirements, many individuals purchased the second jacket from the U. S. Army Clothing Sales Store.

Inquiries concerning these purchases has resulted in the following DA directive:

"All enlisted personnel who entered the Army prior to Oct. 1 and who purchased a second field jacket during the period Oct. 1 through Jan. 2 are entitled to a refund of the purchase price."

Procedures for obtaining this refund have been sent to all organizations. Individuals should contact their unit supply officer to have the necessary documents prepared.

As directed by DA, officers who have an organizational field jacket in their possession may purchase these for half-price or they may retain the jacket until their next permanent change of duty station.

Civilian charged with assault

Several military policemen arrested a possible assault suspect after a wild scuffle near the NCO Club on Tuesday.

Early Tuesday an MP unit on patrol spotted a man who fit the description of a suspect in a recent assault case walking on Lincoln Blvd. near the NCO Club.

When the MPs approached him, the man, later identified as Richard

A. Perada, refused to give his identity and became very beligerent.

Another MP unit arrived on the scene and Perada was finally apprehended with a "minimum amount of force", according to the MP report.

He was taken to the military police station where he continued to resist efforts to restrain him.

"Perada resisted so violently," said an MP spokesman, "that we were

forced to physically restrain him." He was later moved to a detention cell.

Perada, who refused to give military police any information other than his identity, was charged with entry for unlawful purpose, assault and resisting arrest.

He was later turned over to U. S. Marshals and is being held pending arraignment in the U. S. Magistrates Court in San Francisco.

Two arguments result in arrests by post MPs

A San Rafael resident was arrested by military police and faces assault charges stemming from an incident which took place at Letterman Army Medical Center last weekend.

MPs, who were on a routine patrol, noticed a disturbance in the LAMC parking lot. Approaching, they observed Dayle E. Davidson of San Rafael involved in an argument with Monica L. Crandall, also a resident of San Rafael.

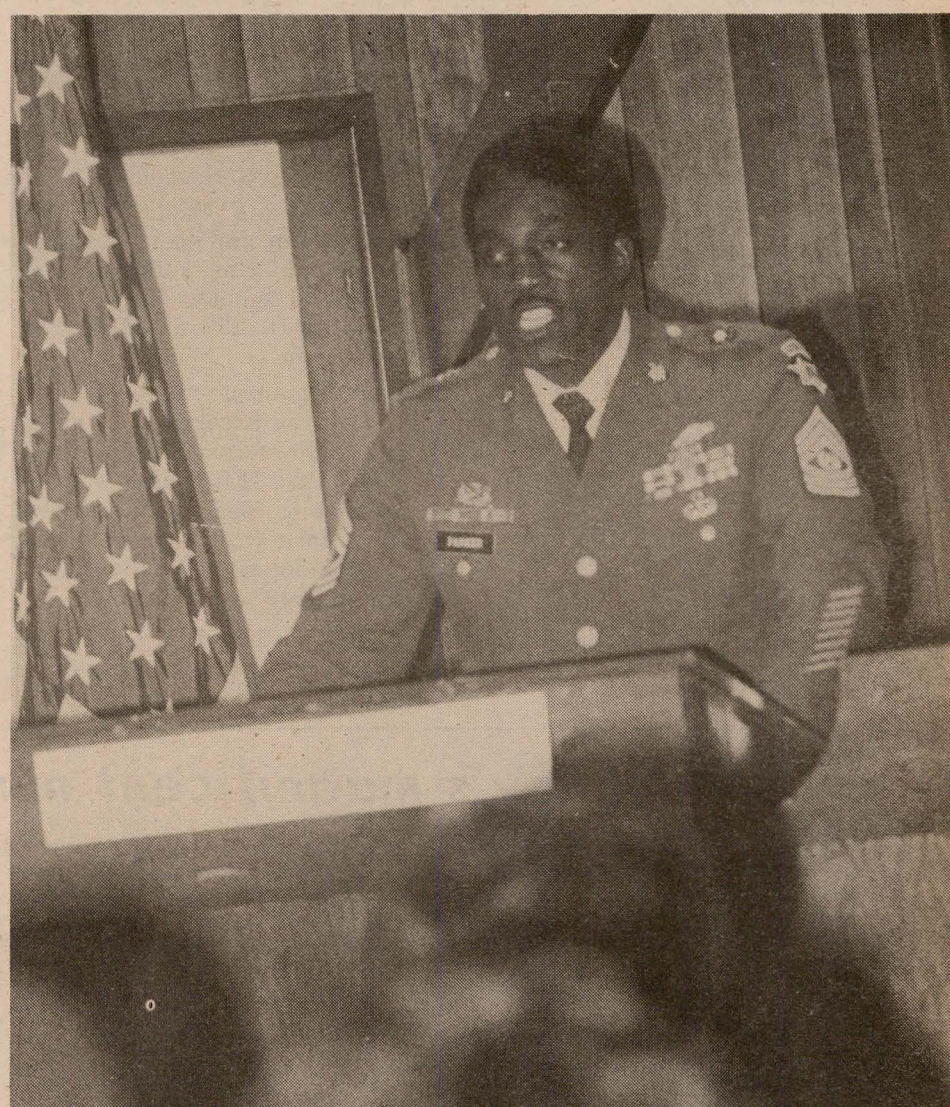
Davidson allegedly struck Crandall in the face several times with his fist. He was taken into custody and brought to the MP station and charged with assault and trespassing for unlawful purpose.

His trial is set for April 16.

A stabbing incident ocured last weekend involving two minors. Their identities are being withheld.

According to a provost marshal official, the two became involved in a vehement argument. The suspect produced a knife and waved it at the victim, cutting him on the left hand.

The victim was taken to LAMC where he was treated and released. The suspect was taken to CID where he gave a statement and was released to his parents.



Graduation ceremony

Photo by Max Woerner

Sixth Army's Command Sergeant Major, Harris L. Parker, addresses Army Reservists and National Guardsmen during graduation ceremonies for the basic and senior NCO courses last Sunday. The combined graduating class of 37 soldiers from the bay area attended classes at the 6227th U. S. Army Reserve School at the Presidio of San Francisco.

Time to spare

Tickets available for Giants, A's

The Recreation Center now has tickets for **Giants and A's games**. Boxseats for Giant games are \$6 and reserved seats for A's games are \$5.

The Rec Center also has tickets available for **Great America** (\$8.50), **Marineland and Africa USA** (\$6.75), **Reno Hospitality Pack** (\$2.35), and **Disneyland** (\$7.50).

A **Russian River canoe trip** is being planned for July 18 and a **Sacramento River cruise** will be held sometime in June.

The **Presidio Modern Square Dance Group** is meeting each Thursday at 7 p.m. in the post community center. The musical group, **Golden Bough** will perform at the Recreation Center on April 27 at 8:30 p.m. The one dollar admission fee will include refreshments.

For additional information about Rec Center activities call ext. 2000. Tickets and discount coupons are available after duty hours.

Flutist Carole Soltman and guitarist Lance Beeson will perform Ned Rorem's "**Romeo and Juliet**" and other selected works on Friday at 8 p.m. at the First Congregational Church. It is located at Dana and Durant in Berkeley.

"**Rashomon**", a play by Fay and Michael Kanin, begins tonight at the Studio Theater at San Francisco State University. The play is based on stories by Ryunosuke Akutagawa.

It is scheduled for 8 p.m. tonight through Tuesday with a 2 p.m. matinee performance on Saturday.

The **San Francisco Trio**—Marilyn Thompson, piano, James Carter, violin and David Kadarauch, cello, will perform in concert Tuesday at 8 p.m., in San Francisco State's Knuth Hall.

The program will include the Trio no. 5 in G major, K 564, by Mozart, Trio, opus 67 in E minor by Shostakovich and the Trio no. 2 in C major, opus 87 by Brahms.

The ensemble was formed in 1976 and has since performed extensively throughout the Bay Area and on tour. The three members of the group have concertized as soloists with many of the major musical organizations.

Tickets, \$3 general and \$1.50 for students and senior citizens, are available at the Creative Arts Box Office, located in the Creative Arts building at State. For reservations and further information call the Box Office noon to 4 p.m. weekdays at (415) 469-1442.

A **Skin Diving Class** for youngsters under 18 years of age is now underway at the North Beach Swimming Pool, Mason and Washington Streets, Wednesdays, 7-8 p.m.

In order to qualify for the program, prospective students must first pass a water safety test given by the class instructor, Bud Davis.

Young persons interested in joining the Skin Diving Class should contact North Beach Pool after 1:30 Mondays through Thursdays, and Saturday afternoons at 421-7466 or call Bud Davis at 921-3676.

The program is sponsored by the Aquatics Division of the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department.

A group of detective story writers surround Miss Maple in the Presidio Players' production of "**The Butler Did it**," opening at the Presidio Playhouse on Friday, April 10, at 8 p.m.

The production of this comedy mystery will play on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., through May 2. Beginning April 6, the Playhouse Box Office will be open from 1-5 p.m., and 30 minutes before curtain.

Tickets are \$3.00, and \$1.00 less for military personnel, dependents, retired military, and reservists, upon presentation of ID card.

Auditions for the Broadway musical, "**Gypsy**," will be held at the Presidio Playhouse on April 12 and 13. Those wishing to audition should call 561-3992 for a specific appointment time on one of the above dates.

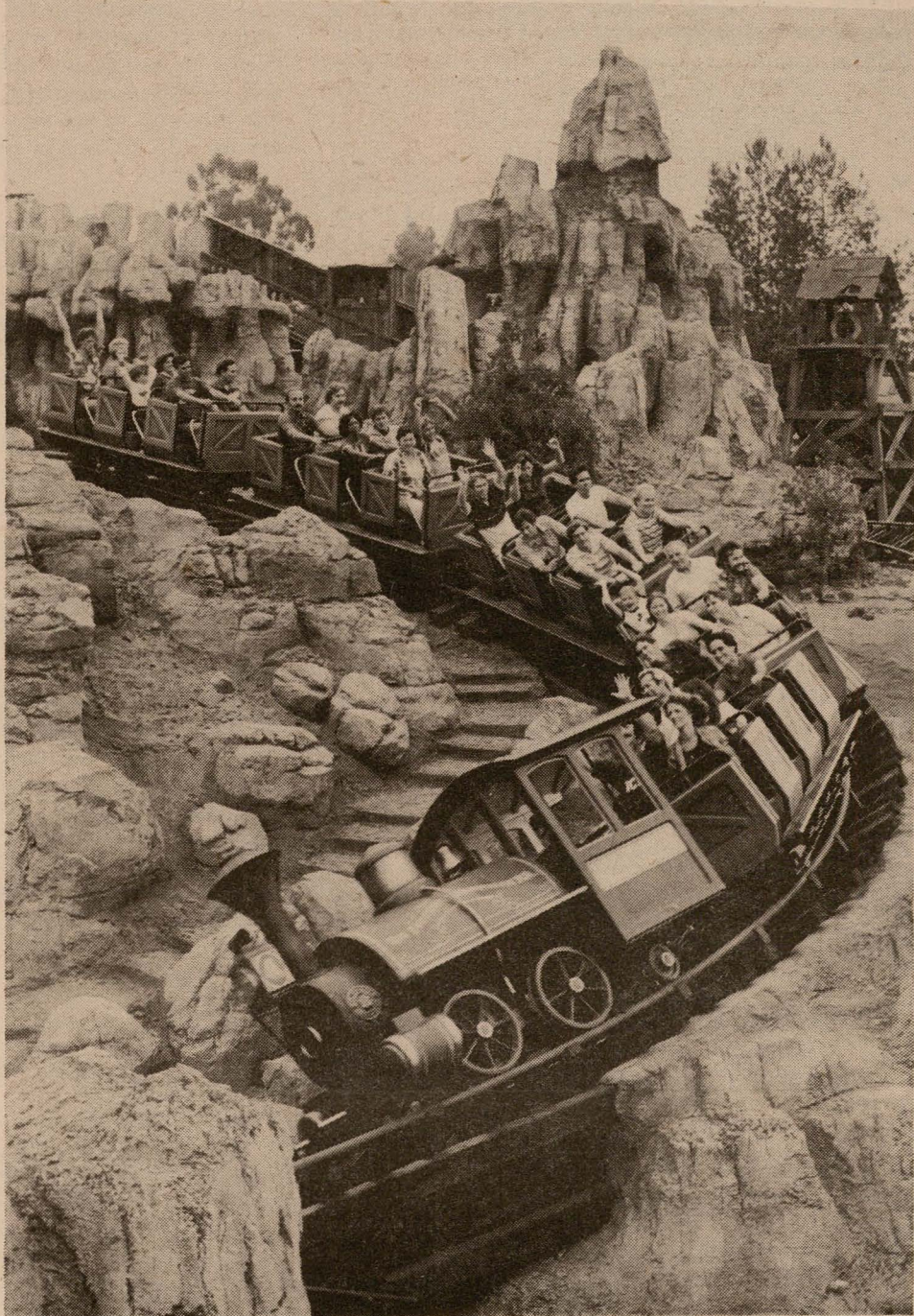
Tryouts are open to anyone interested, and in addition to the large cast of adults, 8-12 children (ages 7-12) are needed, who can sing and dance.

Two children's theatre productions remain in the Saturday Bean Bag Theatre series at San Francisco State University.

"**Puss 'N Boots**" is slated Saturday at 10:30 a.m. and noon, and April 11 at noon and 2 p.m., and "**Scupper Dupperts**" will complete the series on Saturdays, April 25 and May 2, at noon and 2 p.m.

All performances will be held in room 104 of the Creative Arts building at San Francisco State University. Tickets are \$1 for adults and 50¢ for children. Reservations and further information are available through the Creative Arts Box Office at (415) 469-2467.

The Box Office, located in the Creative Arts building at State, is



Big thunder fun

Disneyland's newest attraction, "**Big Thunder Mountain Railroad**," offers a thrilling excursion aboard a runaway mine train. Military personnel will have the opportunity to enjoy this Frontierland adventure along with the Park's other 56 attractions when a special unlimited use ticket becomes available to them from April 1 through June 19. Tickets may be purchased for \$7.50 per person at Recreation Center ITT Office.

open noon to 4 p.m. weekdays.

The quilting class which was originally scheduled to begin March 25 has been rescheduled to begin April 15. It will run every Wednesday evening, 6-9 p.m. for six weeks.

This class covers sewing machine applique of baby quilts and baskets. Anyone interested please call the Post Crafts Shop at ext. 4497 or stop by for registration.

The **Exploratorium**, San Francisco's artful museum of science and

human perception, will be open for special expanded holiday hours during the Easter holiday break.

The Exploratorium will be open to the public daily from Saturday, April 11 through Sunday, April 19, from noon to 5 p.m. Donations are encouraged at the door.

Called "by far, the best science museum in the world" by the editor of Scientific American, the Exploratorium will open extra hours to accommodate the large number of visitors expected at the museum over the Easter holiday.

Mahoney's magnificent minutiae

Here is this week's collection of questions, for you connoisseurs of tantalizing trivia, developed by the Master of Magnificent Minutiae, Bob Mahoney. Submit your answers to this week's list on a postcard or plain sheet of paper along with your name and address to: Mahoney's Minutiae, c/o The Star Presidian, Bldg. 37, Presidio of San Francisco, CA 94129. The first entry bearing the most correct entries will be declared a winner and eligible for entry into our annual Star Presidian Magnificent Minutiae Contest. This week's winner and answers will be published in the next edition.

1. What state has the largest number of millionaires per capita?
2. Who sang the original version of "Blue Suede Shoes?"
3. Name the largest island in the world.
4. What was the nomenclature of the infantryman's individual weapon in 1945?
5. The United States had three capitol cities. Name them.
6. In the famous "Tinkers to Evers to Chance" double-play combination, who played third base?

(LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS: 1. Abraham Lincoln, 2. A lollipop, 3. Presidio of San Francisco, 4. 23rd Infantry Division, 5. Fort Bragg, NC, 6. Yerba Buena)

at the movies

Presidio Theater

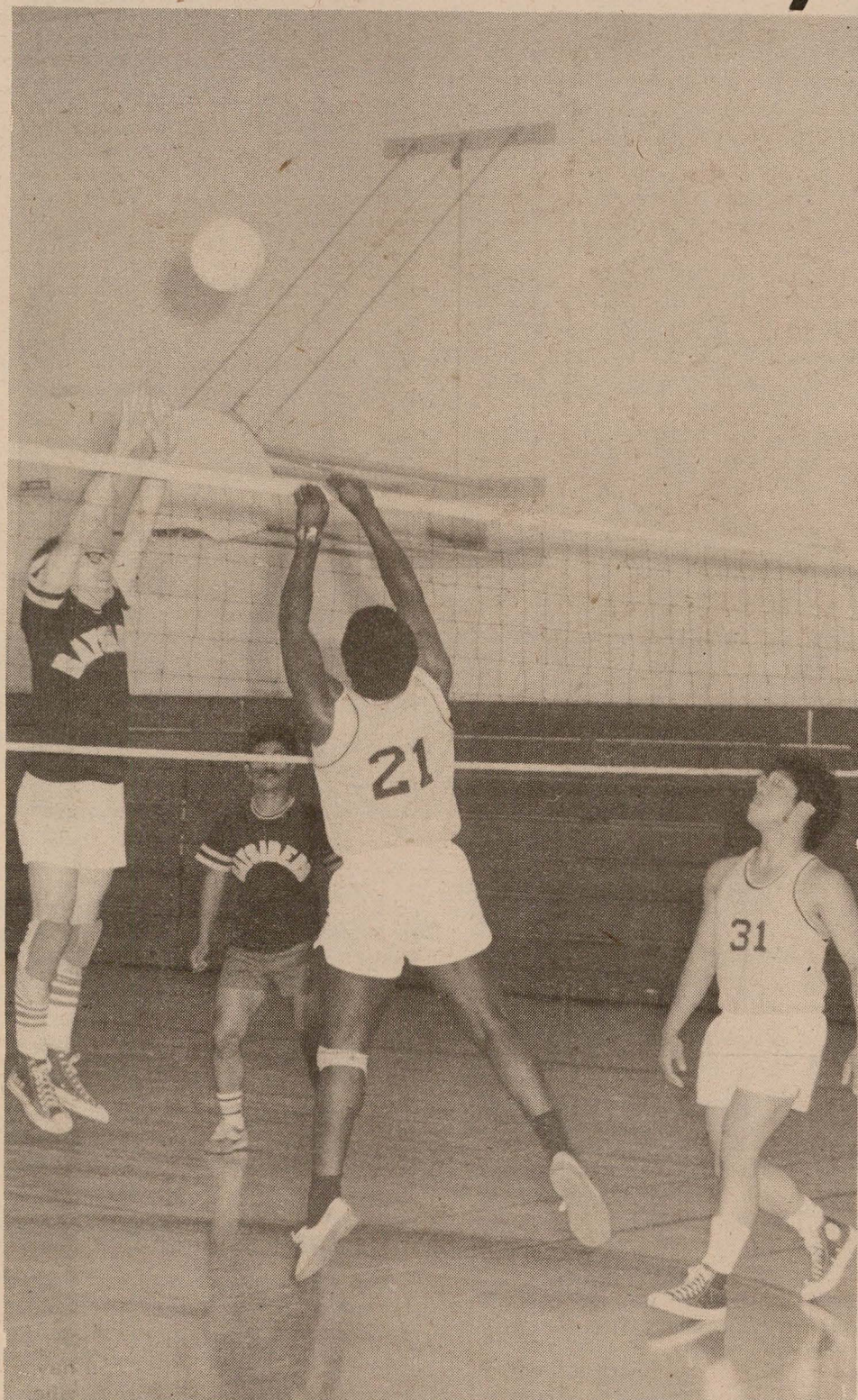
Apr. 2	Terror Train (R)	7 p.m.
Apr. 3	Terror Train (R)	7 p.m.
Apr. 4	Herbie Goes Bananas (G)	2 p.m.
Apr. 4	Herbie Goes Bananas (G)	7 p.m.
Apr. 5	A Change of Seasons (R)	7 p.m.
Apr. 6	A Change of Seasons (R)	7 p.m.
Apr. 7	Raise the Titanic (PG)	7 p.m.
Apr. 8	Schizoid (R)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Apr. 2	The Hunter (PG)	7 p.m.
Apr. 3	Soldier of Orange (R)	7 p.m.
Apr. 6	Terror Train (R)	7 p.m.
Apr. 7	Herbie Goes Bananas (G)	7 p.m.
Apr. 8	A Change of Seasons (R)	7 p.m.

Sports

Intramural volleyball now underway



Intramural volleyball began last week.

File photo

The 1981 Intramural Volleyball program, which is composed of seven teams, got underway last week with the following results:

Team	Won	Loss
Golden Gate	2	0
LAIR	3	1
LAMC	2	1
USAG	2	2
504th MP BN	1	3
ORB	0	2
PHS	0	4

After one week of competition the following outstanding spikers are LAMC's **Paepae Mika**, a former all Army women's team member, 504th's **Ameko Pato**, and LAIR's, old reliable, **Roko Smiljanic**.

Softball

The Intramural Softball season will commence on or about April 22 with a clinic to be held at 3 p.m., at Gym No. 1. All coaches, players, and officials should be present.

Golf results

After two weeks of golf competition, HQ 6th Army No. 2 remained in first by squeaking past ARR IX and HQ USAG by identical scores of 5-4. Low Net score was posted by LAIR's Mike Shagahawa, with a 64.

Boxers wanted

Novice and open boxers are wanted to start a boxing program at Fort Scott Gym No. 3, Bldg. 1226. For additional information, contact Jim Ragasa at ext. 5032.

Fun run

The next monthly Fun Run Race will be held April 15, at noon, with the start/finish at Post Gym No. 1. For additional information, contact Mr. Robert Darling at ext. 4120. All runners are invited to participate.

Wrestling tourney

The Intramural Wrestling tournament has been rescheduled for April 27. A clinic will be held at 3 p.m. at Gym No. 1, Bldg. No. 63 on April 27. Anyone desiring to sign-up or further information, please contact Mr. Jim Ragasa, at ext. 5032/3364/4120.

Swim class

The Department of Youth Activities is sponsoring a Tiny Tot Swim class beginning on April 15 at the Swimming Pool, Bldg. 1151. For further information contact Mr. Rey Mey at ext. 5051/3673.

DYA soccer

The Presidio Strikers DYA soccer team is looking for players to participate in the upcoming Police Athletic League season.

To be eligible, players must have been at least six years old on January 1, 1981 and not over seven on the same date.

Registration will be conducted today and tomorrow from 4-5:30 p.m. and again on Saturday from 3-4 p.m. For more information call ext. 2005 from 8-4 p.m. or 221-5732 after duty hours.

Gymnastics

A gymnastics class is being offered by Morale Support Activities' DYA branch for youngsters ages 4 thru 19. Lessons will begin April 1 at Post Gym No. 1.

A one-hour class will meet every Wednesday or Friday until May 6. Cost will be \$12 per student for the entire six-week course.

Fees will be refunded only for insufficient registration. Girls should wear leotards and slippers. Boys should wear shorts and tennis shoes.

Registration fees will be accepted at Morale Support Activities, Bldg. 122, from 8-12 a.m. For more information, call the DYA office at ext 5143.

DYA Baseball

Boys and girls 7 thru 14 years of age can still sign-up for DYA baseball. Contact Mr. Karl Gaffney, DYA Sports Commissioner, at ext 2070/5328.

Baseball

The 1981 DYA sports program will be offering a baseball clinic for all players, coaches and interested patrons, at Pop Hicks Field, Apr. 15, at 4:30 p.m. The clinic will be conducted by the San Francisco State University head baseball coach Orin Fruman. For further information contact Karl Gafney at ext. 5328/2070.

Bowlers wanted

The Presidio of San Francisco will enter a male and female bowling team in the FORSCOM Bowling Tournament, April 27-May 1, at Ft. Ord.

Active duty military personnel assigned to or attached to this installation are authorized to participate.



Intramural softball will begin sometime in late April.

File photo

Presidio News Notes



Photo of the week

Ramona Ryun took the photo of the week competition this week with her shot of sunlight reflecting on the water.

Disneyland tickets sold at discount

Presidio soldiers and their families will have the opportunity to enjoy their favorite Disneyland attractions as many times as they wish when an unlimited use ticket becomes available to them daily from April 1 through June 19.

This ticket is offered to military personnel, their families and friends for the special price of \$7.50 per person, which includes unlimited use of the Magic Kingdom's more than 50 attractions.

Available throughout this event will be the space age experiences of Tomorrowland, the storybook tales of Fantasyland, the southern charm of New Orleans Square plus the fun of the Park's other exciting "theme" lands. Guests may ride the Magic Kingdom's latest action-packed thriller, "Big Thunder Mountain Railroad," a rip-roaring journey aboard a "runaway" mine train of the Old West.

Dancing to the best of today's rock and disco tunes will be offered at Tomorrowland Terrace, while at New Orleans Square's French Market, the mellow southern tunes of the Royal St. Bachelors will fill the air.

Tickets for this special armed services offer may be purchased by military personnel at the Recreation Center ITT Office.

Disneyland will be open daily during these days for the military and their families and friends. The Recreation Center has the Disneyland Operation calendar in the ITT Office for specific operating hours.

Holy Week

Regular masses will be conducted at the Chapel of Our Lady and Fort Scott Chapel on **Palm Sunday**. Daily mass and confessions will be held at 11 a.m. and 11:35 a.m. April 13-15.

On **Holy Thursday** the evening mass of the Last Supper will be conducted at 5 p.m. Adoration and confessions will last until 7 p.m. On **Good Friday** the liturgy will be held at 5 p.m. Confessions will be held after the latter service. Confessions on **Holy Saturday** will be from 3-5 p.m. and the Easter Vigil will be at 5 p.m.

All of the Holy Week services will be conducted at the Chapel of Our Lady. The regular Sunday schedule will be followed on Easter. The ecumenical Easter Breakfast will be served from 8-11 a.m. at the Religious Activities Center, Bldg. 682.

Palm Sunday, April 12, begins the Holy Week. Services are at the regular time at the Presidio.

A Maundy Thursday communion service will be held at 7 p.m. on April 16. The Post Chapel Choir will present the Easter Concert on **Good Friday** evening, featuring Brahms's REQUIEM. The concert will be at 8 p.m. The **Good Friday** service will be at noon on April 17.

Easter Sunday will be celebrated with the Sunrise Service at 7 a.m. at the Post Chapel's Memorial Garden. The Sixth U.S. Army Band and the Post Chapel's Choir will present special music. Chaplain (COL) Don Crowley, California National Guard Chaplain, is the speaker.

Regular Sunday services are at the Post Chapel, Fort Scott and Fort Baker Chapels. The ecumenical **Easter Breakfast** will be served from 8-11 a.m. at the Religious Activities Center, Bldg. 682.

Jewish Passover begins on April 18 at sunset and ends on April 26. Jewish military and dependents are invited to attend Passover Seder Ser-

vice and dinner on April 19, 6:30 p.m., at Congregation Ner Tamid, 1250 Quintara Street at 22nd Avenue. Rabbi William Dalin will conduct the service.

Rape prevention

A Rape Prevention Class will be held at the Army Education Center Bldg. 1218, 3rd floor, on April 13 at 6 p.m. The class will be conducted by Officer Mary Petrie from the San Francisco Police Department. All civilian personnel, military personnel and their dependents are encouraged to attend.

Happenings

The Presidio Post Library System will host a series of free noontime HAPPENINGS at the Main Post Library from 11:30 to 12:15 beginning Tuesday to celebrate National Library Week.

The Sixth Army Band will begin the series Tuesday with an outdoor concert. Listeners can lunch while lounging on the lawn.

Wednesday's happening will be a slide/talk on the history of the Presidio presented by Mr. James L. Hudgins, Chief, Community Relations.

Mr. Shimshon Antar, owner of the Epicurean's Bazaar, will be in charge of Thursday's cheese tasting, the first ever held at the Library.

On Friday, Sgt. James Benishek, Presidio crime prevention expert, will offer timely tips on home security and crime prevention.

Saturday has been designated "Share Your Hobby Day" and will feature a variety of exhibits and talks by hobbyists throughout the entire day. To reserve exhibit space, or for more information, call 561-3448 or 561-5037.

EM Wives' Club

Members of the Enlisted Men's Wives' Club are reminded that the business meeting will be held Monday at 7:30 p.m. at the Community

Center. New members are always welcome.

The Exchange Fashion Show will be held April 10 at the NCO Club in the Green Room at 7:30 p.m.

The Aquarius Swim team will have a Bake Sale tomorrow at LAMC near the elevators on the first floor.

Women's Club

The monthly meeting of the Letterman Women's Club will feature a luncheon and program on the art of the ballet on April 9, at the Presidio Officers' Club.

In addition to the program, election of LWC Officers for 1981-82 will be held. Social hour begins at 11 a.m., followed by lunch at noon. Reservations must be made by noon on Tuesday by calling Elly Barry in San Francisco at 561-4610 or Bernice See in Marin at 897-0851.

Garage sale

Do you have any items in your garage (or locker) that you don't need or want?

If so, bring them to the San Francisco USO at 530 Taylor St., which will put them into the world's largest garage sale. That's the KYA annual world's largest indoor garage sale at Fort Mason April 11 & 12. San Francisco USO will be one of the non-profit organizations participating in it.

Any donation would be welcome. Pots, pans, piggy banks, posters, paintings, parasols, parachutes, old clothes, anything you think someone else might buy. Help USO keep its recreation/referral agency for the military going with your goodwill and gifts.

USO is open seven days a week at 530 Taylor St., between Geary & Post. Bring your donations to USO anytime from noon till 8 p.m. before Thursday, April 9. Call 885-0234 for further information.

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Photo by Jon Chelgren

Oscar Castaneda (left), and Donald Small install an energy saving light fixture

Plaque, \$4300

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Presidio cited for energy savings by PG&E officials

by Jon Chelgren

The Presidio has been cited for significant energy savings by the Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) with a pair of awards presented Monday to Col. F. Whitney Hall Jr., post commander.

According to Edward Crane, chief of the Facilities Engineers' utilities branch, the awards—a special energy conservation achievement plaque and a check for nearly \$4300—were presented to the Presidio based on energy use and conservation efforts last year.

The plaque recognized the post for leading PG&E customers in reducing electricity and natural gas consumption as well as kilowatt demands. In addition, Crane says, the award cited innovations in energy conservation such as the economizing of air conditioner use, the shutting off of hot water in office spaces, the turning off of cooling units on drinking fountains and the installation of energy saving lighting.

A check for \$4249.60 was presented to Hall by PG&E officials as a result of an on-going post-wide drive to replace office light fixtures with energy-saving ones, says Crane.

Two larcenies, car accident last weekend

A ten-speed bicycle and \$15 were stolen in larcenies which occurred on post this week according to military police.

Mrs. Phylis A. Greenwood called MPs on Saturday morning and reported that a ten speed bicycle had been stolen sometime during the night or early morning.

The bicycle was reportedly tied to

a trailer which was parked across from the Scott Hall Guest House where Greenwood was staying.

Military police responded to another larceny call Saturday afternoon at Letterman Army Medical Center.

Their investigation revealed that someone had broken into a secured locker belonging to Mrs. Ellen M.

Mackriss and stolen \$15 in cash.

According to the MP reports, both cases have been closed pending receipt of additional information.

A LAMC soldier received minor injuries as a result of a one-car accident which occurred on Upton Avenue Saturday.

The injured man Pvt. Mark A.

Steele, was a passenger in a car driven by Spec. 5 Ruben L. Lovelady, also of LAMC. According to the MP report, Lovelady was going north on Upton Avenue when his car left the road and struck a tree.

The car reportedly sustained major front-end damage. The accident is being investigated by the Military Police.

Heavy traffic causing problems at CPO

The Presidio Civilian Personnel Office is faced with a unique problem. According to one employee, it is like that famous "Catch-22" situation where there doesn't seem to be an answer.

Recently the freeze on federal hiring was lifted within Department of Defense as directed by the Reagan administration. At the same time, the Presidio was given authority to become a local testing site and accept applications for employment.

Alex Reyes, Civilian Personnel Officer for the Presidio, says his office is in a crunch at present. "We are working to full capacity in a facility which isn't large enough to handle the load. This office has hiring and administration responsibilities for some 25 federal Army agencies and units. So we are obliged to actively recruit and place civilian employees."

At the same time, Reyes points out that his office must also continue to serve those civilian employees already in the work force which, as he says, is a vital and important mission.

"Last week we had 748 people physically come in to the lobby of the Civilian Personnel Office in building 37," says Reyes. "This is the fourth

week we've seen a steady increase in traffic flow. Quite honestly, we just aren't equipped to handle all those people in a facility of our physical size!"

Reyes is very concerned that employees will get frustrated with the delays which are resulting. He is taking immediate steps to deal with the increase, but is also asking for help from employees.

"It's important that all civilian employees of this post believe that we are trying to do our best here. We want to insure they receive prompt and accurate attention when they need it," says Reyes.

"I'm asking my fellow civilian employees to give us a hand during this period. If they would call the personnel office first and use the appointment system, this would ease the waiting and screening time they will encounter when they just drop in."

Much of the increase in traffic within the personnel office is due to the aggressive hiring campaign currently underway at the Presidio. Notifications of available federal jobs have been circulated to state employment agencies, federal job information centers and to schools within the Bay area.



Photo by Tim Dewar

Gregory C. West was one of the 748 to visit the CPO this week.

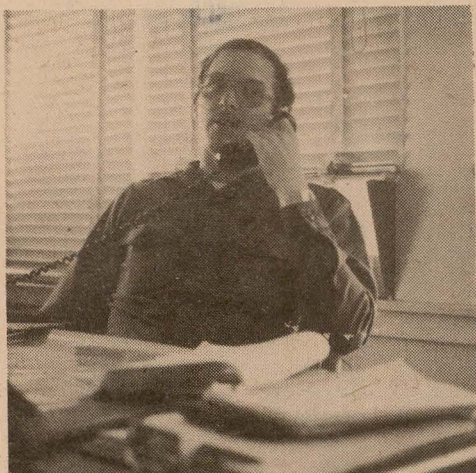
"To resolve the workload problems and ease the current strain on military and civilians alike, we are striving to reach 100 percent fill," says Reyes. "This means receiving, evaluating, testing and processing hundreds of applications in a very short time."

The end result, according to personnel officials, will benefit everyone on the Presidio, but, in the interim build-up period, cooperation is needed. All civilian employees who desire or need assistance from the Civilian Personnel Office should call first and make an appointment.

Opinion

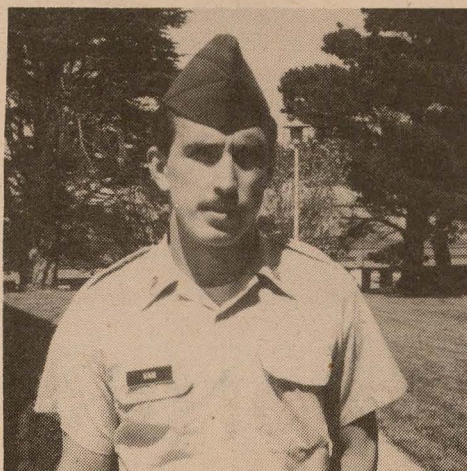
Ramblin' Sam

If you could change one thing on the Presidio, what would it be?

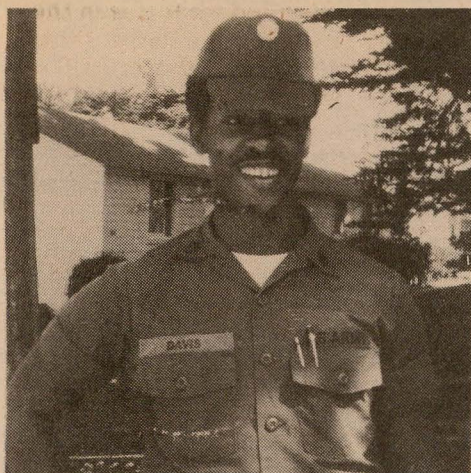


Sp5 George Alger SIDPERS—"I would change the way things are run around here. We have two chains of command and it is very frustrating trying to get anything done."

Sp5 Mike Vanhaverbeke—Sixth Region CID—"I would probably change the outlook the soldiers have towards the Presidio. Also the priority level given active duty members should be greater than that of retirees."



SSgt. John Davis, HQ Sixth Region CID—"The family housing area in Pershing needs renovating badly."



William F. Webb NCO club disc jockey—"What Nixon took away in 1972, and gave to the parks service, we should get back. This would provide aircraft access for the parachute shop."



Sp4 Vivian Wills, Post Motor Pool—"If I could change anything on this post I would change the morale. There is no morale here, nobody cares very much."



Commentary

Brown shoe morality

by K. Douglas Cook

There's a lot being said and written about federal employees. Under the Reagan administration, many jobs are being cut while, at the same time, civilian jobs are being added to the Department of Defense.

Army Chief of Staff, Gen. E.C. Meyer has gone to bat for DA Civilians. He has told lawmakers we are needed to free the NCO for more important duties. Right down the line, to include the Presidio commander, Col. F. Whitney Hall, the importance of civilian employees has been echoed and reechoed.

It occurs that those of us who are federal civilian employees have a large responsibility. It also seems that, right here in downtown Presidio, many of us (civilians) have lost sight of that responsibility.

Our group is composed of retired military, former military and no military at all. Yet, we all now work for and in combination with the military and we are an opinionated lot indeed!

We see soldiers with hair exceeding regulation length and sadly wonder why. We observe uniforms which are improperly worn or in need of a light application of laundry powder. We wonder why the tradition of hand salutes is ignored by officer and enlisted alike. The words "sir," "ma'am," and "sergeant" seem not to be used as much as they were at one time.

It would be easy to paint many of us with a broad brush of rigid brown-shoe morality ala Major Frank Burns of "M*A*S*H" fame. Yet, we do hear

many of these same comments coming from soldiers of all ranks as well.

Before we as civilian employees become too smug in our opinions, it might be wise to consider our status. We are part of this system too! We, as workers, leaders, supervisors and managers have a responsibility to set an example.

Why should we be so upset about hair length of a soldier when we have no responsibility ourselves. Some of us wear hair styles which are better suited for a Passion Play than a military post!

Our appearance, in some cases, leaves a lot to be desired. The soldiers on this post see us in clothing which is inappropriate or just as in need of cleaning.

Far too often we can be accused of being far too casual with our peers and superiors. While our grades are for pay purposes, our positions are for military reasons!

Respect doesn't come easily. It is an earned commodity which needs constant reinforcement and care. If we, as civilians, are disrespectful in our appearance, conduct and language, how can we expect that soldier watching us to be motivated otherwise?

Perhaps it's time for DA Civilians to acknowledge this unique circumstance in which we labor. To be certain, Army regulations apply to us in very specific instances, but our pride in who and what we are should transcend the differences. If we care about our Army, then we certainly should care enough to support it!

Letters to the Editor...

Editor

"I've noticed that the electric power cords connecting the water coolers have been cut off. I'm told this is part of an energy conservation move.

First, wouldn't it have been just as easy to tape the cord inside the cooler housing? Second, who will pay the bill when these cords must be repaired to make the electric cooler operational? Third, now that these expensive water coolers are serving as no more than a far less expensive water fountain, why don't we just turn them in and get the proper equipment?

It seems like whoever ordered these cords physically cut off, leaving part of a power cord exposed, wasn't really considering the actual cost involved versus the actual savings."

Name Withheld

Editor

There is the common phrase of the straw that broke the camel's back.

Well, the last straw has been added to the camel's load!

As another "cost saving" measure, the water fountain cooling systems have been disconnected. Now we must drink warm water which tastes so bad, one has to sneak up on it.

Since the Post has been reviewing the retention situation and ways and means to encourage employees to stay, this perhaps is not one of the better avenues to follow. Already, the hot water has been removed as a cost saving device.

Now its the water fountain cooling systems. Is that a real savings, or do they want to make working conditions more intolerable. If this is a test to see how much can be taken away before objections are made, in my

estimation that point has been reached.

Jan Rusnell

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Russian POW, liberator, meet after 36 years

By Tim Dewar

36 years ago, a young Russian soldier and an American Army officer now both Presidio employees were present at the Liberation of Hitler's first concentration camp, and last week, in an emotional meeting, they were reunited for the first time since 1945.

Frank Murphy, Deputy Director of Reserve Component Support here, and one of the Americans who liberated Dachau began talking to a department of facilities engineers painter George Beckerman who was painting the Headquarters Building, where Murphy works.

They discovered that they had both been present at the liberation of Dachau.

Beckerman, a Russian soldier during World War II was captured in 1942 by the Germans and was first taken to a German prisoner of war camp called Buchenwald.

"I used to work in bread factory in Buchenwald," Beckerman explains, his Russian accent still heavy after 30 years in the United States. "I used to smuggle bread for the other prisoners. They caught me stealing and I got 50 lashes on the back with a whip.

"After the lashes," Beckerman continues, "and two unsuccessful escape attempts, they sent me to Dachau."

Beckerman remained at Dachau until the camp was liberated on April 29, 1945, by members of the 42nd Division, which was Murphy's unit.

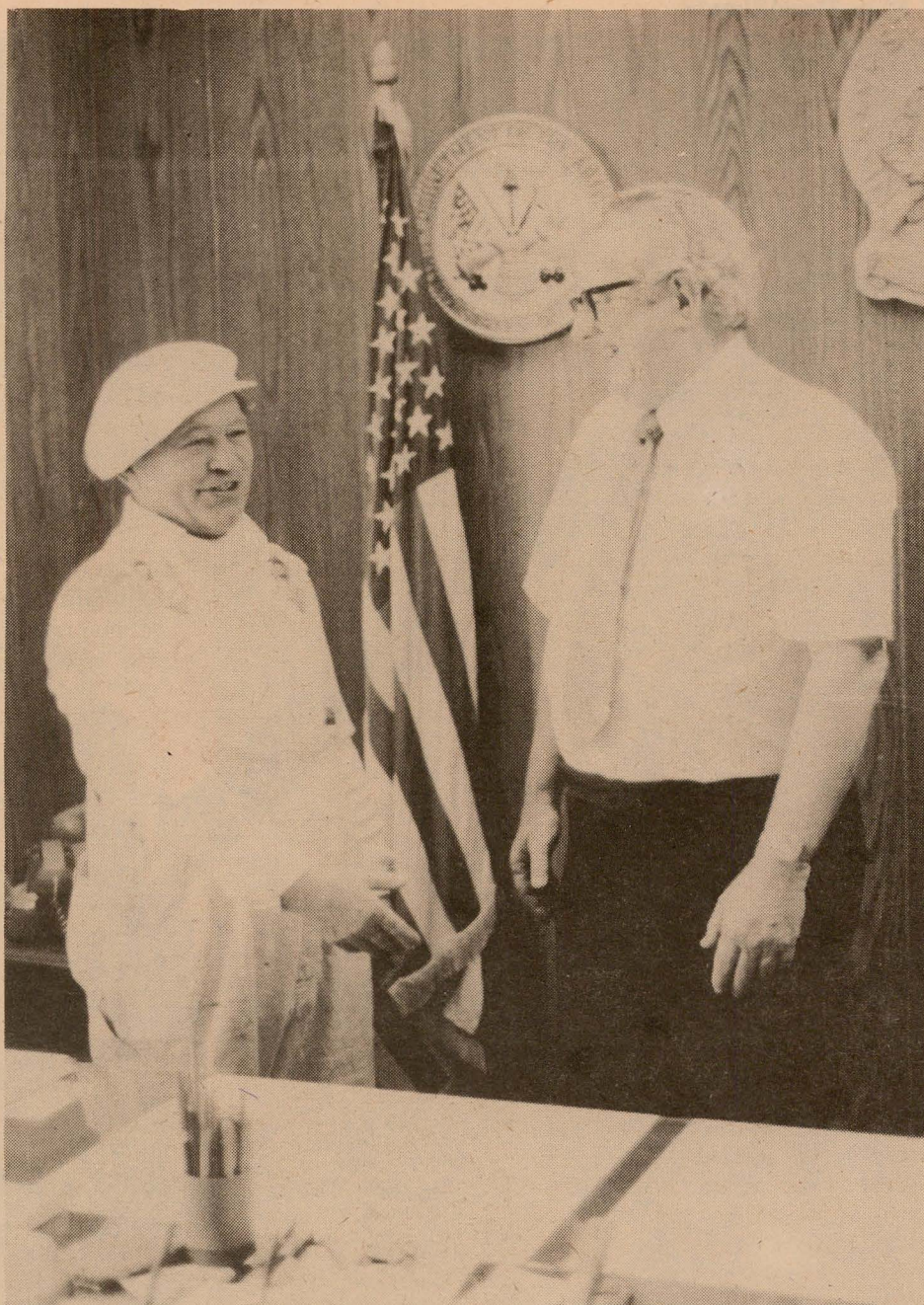
Murphy related his feelings that morning as he and others like him stared at the 30,000 prisoners behind the fences of Dachau.

"I and the others had never seen anything like this and when we freed these people, they kissed our feet, and kissed us. We responded very emotionally," he added, "We cried with them, we kissed them, we gave them our cigarettes and our food because they were starving to death."

Murphy went on to explain, the conditions he saw at Dachau.

"In the kitchens these big pots were filled with sautust, and then we went out to the railroad site, and here were all these bodies in the cars, dead bodies, just skin and bones. They had stopped feeding them a week before."

He also adds, "That was a scene that I will never forget in my life."



Beckerman and Murphy met in Murphy's office on Thursday. Photo by Tim Dewar

High turnover rate reported by CPO

The Army is facing a serious problem which is being echoed at the Presidio. Keeping qualified civilians on the job is the concern of all supervisors and managers. Alex Reyes, Civilian Personnel Officer for the Presidio and a large part of the Bay Area's Army agencies, cites the growing problem.

"Even though we have been given the green light to hire new personnel, we're losing other civilian employees far too rapidly!"

Reyes cited one example which indicates the trend. "In the Garrison component of the Presidio, which is only 1 of the some 25 agencies we assist, we've hired 53 new people since the freeze on federal hiring was lifted."

"However, at the same time, we lost 45 civilian employees through transfer or departure from the

program! This effectively means we were only able to realize an increase of 8 employees during the period."

The problem of civilian employee retention is not a new issue. In the post-Vietnam period, the Army went through first a rapid increase then a rapid decrease in civilian employees.

Now, mainly due to a new awareness on the part of high level Army officials as to the need for troop training and combat readiness, civilian hiring is again on the increase.

With this increase comes the retention issue. Reyes expressed concern over the fact that good civilian employees depart federal service because they often feel neglected by the Army or the wages paid do not keep pace with what's available in the commercial sector.

"A qualified civilian employee comes to work at the Presidio because of where and what it is in the job market. However," according to Reyes, "this same employee may begin to feel the economic pinch due to the wages we can pay and, with the addition of other factors, soon leaves for another duty assignment or departs the federal work force entirely."

Actions are being taken at the Presidio to heighten the awareness of supervisors and managers to the civilian employee retention problem. These are in line with guidance issued by top Army officials.

Reyes says that he does expect the Presidio's various agencies to reach 100 percent civilian strength in the next several months.

PX gas station prices still lower than off-post

Post Exchange gasoline prices on the Presidio have been going up but they still average nearly ten cents a gallon less than off-post dealers in the Bay Area.

Louis Felz, manager of the service station assures AAFES customers that, "As long as the current industry price structure remains the same, we will be able to continue providing our products at a substantially lower cost than the off-post dealers."

A recent Exchange report indicates that, in some areas of the country, PX service stations are not able to compete with independent dealers. Consequently, they are being forced to operate at a loss. They expect the situation to remedy itself as the current gasoline surplus is consumed over the next few months.



Photo by Tim Dewar

91st Div flyers stay ready

by Jon Chelgren

For the 91st Division aviation section, weekend drills are more than just checking into the reserve center.

The section, based at Hamilton Air Force Base, flew nearly 100 hours last month on training missions to maintain their flying skills.

The 12 pilots assigned to the section flew those hours on weekends to improve their skills in nearly 50 tasks found in the aircrew training manual—the bible for flyers.

In addition to supporting the division's training goals, the section is called on for a variety of missions including VIP flights and support of special forces groups on rappels and parachute jumps.

Those missions and the training the pilots do on them is aimed at one goal, says a pilot. "If there is ever another war, we want to make sure we're ready."

Photos by John Green



A 91st Division helicopter approaches Hamilton Air Force Base on a training flight last weekend.



A blind flying hood is used for instrument training.



Final pre-flight check.



Howell looks for potential problems.



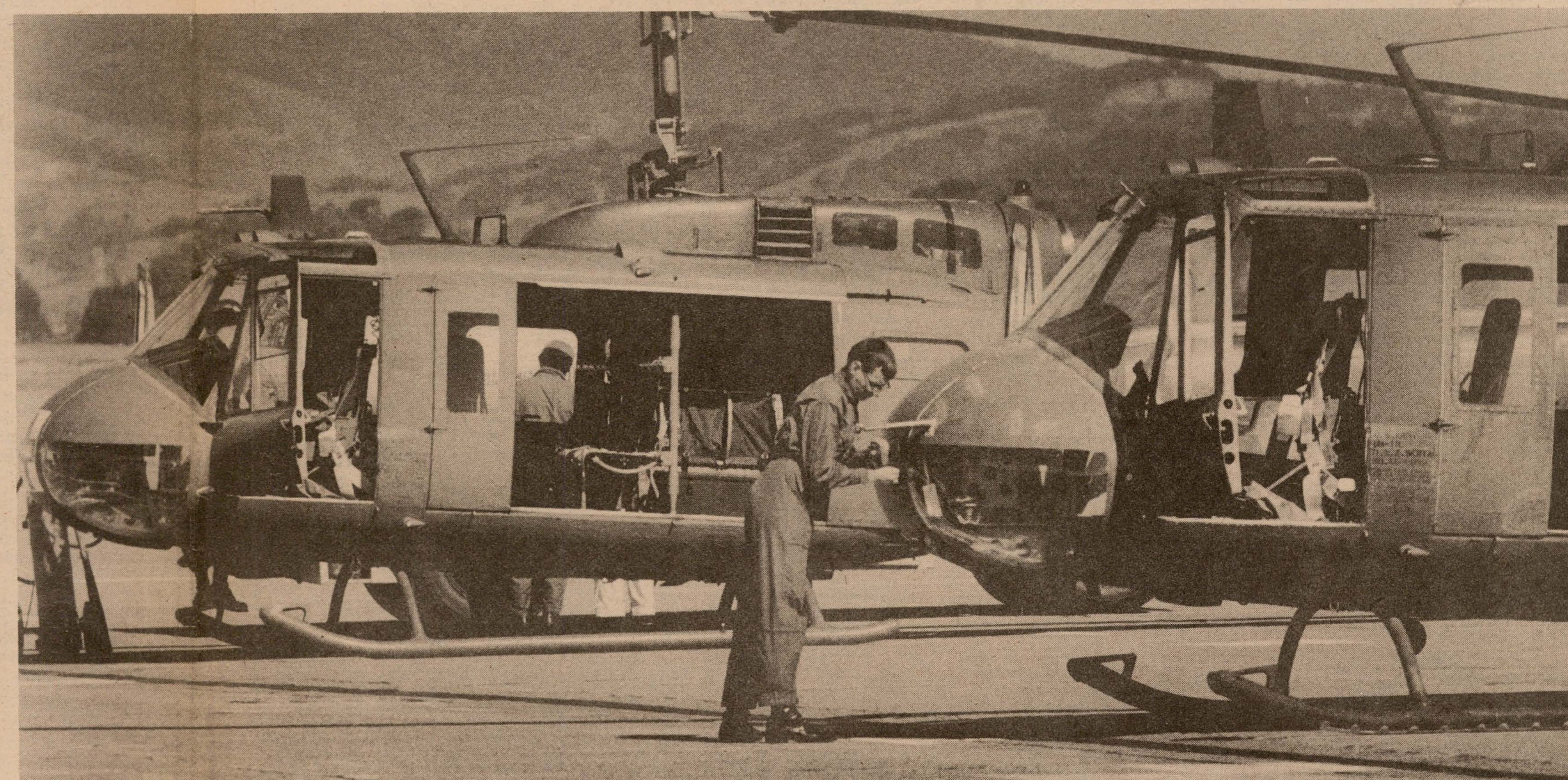
CW3 William D. Heyland releases the tail rotor.



PFC Steven Morgan checks the tail rotor.



Capt. James Howell works with the main rotor.



Morgan makes a final inspection of the nose.

Time to spare

Outdoor Rec plans spring trips

The Presidio Recreation Center is planning a **Canoe Trip on the Russian River** for July 18.

The trip will start with wine tasting at the historic Italian Swiss Colony Winery and then paddling down the Russian River from Geyserville Bridge to Alexander Valley Campground and a delicious chicken barbecue dinner.

The tour includes bus transportation to and from the Recreation Center, canoe, paddles, lifejackets, winery tour, and barbecued chicken dinner. You should bring sunglasses, suntan lotion, tennis shoes, and a change of dry clothes.

Do not bring expensive jewelry, watches, or any other items you would not like to lose on your trip.

For more information please call the Recreation Center at Ext. 2000.

Golden Bough will perform at the Recreation Center at 8:30 p.m. April 27, 1981.

Their music is a synthesis of styles; from British Isles Traditional to American Blue-grass, along with their own gypsy originals. Their musicianship is skillful, and their arrangements are simple and tight. Golden Bough is a true gypsy band, performing with contagious spirit and energy, music from around the world.

The group consists of Paul Espinoza (guitar, mandolin, tenor-banjo, accordion, harmonica, vocal); Margie Butler (recorder, whistle, guitar, percussion, vocal); Simon Spalding (violin, viola, tenor-banjo, mandolin, and bodhran).

Joining Golden Bough will be Lief Sorbye (guitar, mandola, bouzouki, vocal), who performed with the group on their last European Tour.

Native to California, Golden Bough performs regularly in San Francisco. In the summer of 1980 they performed in England, Wales, and Switzerland. The high-light of their Swiss engagements was when they appeared on the nationally televised program, "karussell".

Admission price of \$1.00 includes refreshments.

Outdoor Recreation is sponsoring a variety of activities to celebrate the arrival of Spring. Check your calendars and plan your schedules to take advantage of these opportunities to enjoy California's ecological wonders. Space is limited on most of the activities, so early sign-up is strongly encouraged.



Outdoor recreation is planning several excursions to areas like this during the spring and summer.

Photo by Bill Craig

The Spring program commences with a Backpacking trip to Point Reyes National Seashore on April 24, 25 & 26. The \$5.00 cost includes transportation to and from Point Reyes, as well as your backpacking and camping equipment.

Highlights of the trip include hikes to Mt. Wittenberg for a panoramic view of the Point Reyes Peninsula, and visits to the Earthquake Trail and the Miwok Indian Village.

Total backpacking distance will not exceed twelve miles for the three day trek. Beginning backpackers are welcome. Sign-up deadline is April 16.

A Day hike through Muir Woods and Mt. Tamalpais is scheduled for Saturday, May 9, cost \$1.00. This is an ideal chance to see Spring in the redwood forest. Pack in your own lunch or eat at the Muir Wood Visitors' Center. Sign-up deadline is May 6.

Salmon fishing trips have been scheduled throughout the Summer, but the Spring is the time to start looking for the big one. Sign-up for "Wacky Jackys" chartered boat trips, scheduled for May 15, June 19, July 7 & 19, Aug. 9 & 21, Sept. 11 & 13. The \$32.00 cost includes transportation (if needed), rod & reel, bait, and coffee. Sign-up and deadline for payment is six weeks prior to the fishing trip you desire to go on.

Outdoor Recreation rents a variety of boats and motors for fresh water skiing and fishing enthusiasts. However, for your protection and the protection of Outdoor Recreation rental equipment, all personnel desiring to rent boats and motors from Outdoor Recreation must attend a free Coast Guard approved **Boat Operations & Safety Course**, scheduled for April 21, May 19, June 2 & 16, and July 7 & 21.

Backpacking trip into Emigrant Wilderness, near Sonoma, is planned for Memorial Day weekend, May 22-25.

The New York String Quartet—William Fitzpatrick, violin; Brian Dembow, violin, Robert Becker, viola and Stephen Erdody, cello, will perform the final concert of the 1980-81 Morrison Artists' Series on Sunday, April 26, at 3 p.m., in the McKenna Theatre, San Francisco State University. Admission is free.

The concert, sponsored by the May Treat Morrison Chamber Music Foundation, will feature the Quartet in B-flat major, Op. 18, No. 5 by Beethoven; Quartet, Op. 3, by Berg. April 16th, a vacation day for many Bay Area school children, will be a free day at the San Francisco Zoo. No admission fees to the main zoo will be charged.

To celebrate the coming of the season's favorite animal, a special show "Meet The Easter Bunny & His Friends" will be presented in the Children's Zoo continuously from Noon to 2 p.m. Admission to the Children's Zoo is 50¢ per person, children two years and younger admitted free.

Mahoney's magnificent minutiae

Submit your answers to this week's list on a postcard or plain sheet of paper along with your name and address to: Mahoney's Minutiae, c/o The Star Presidian, Bldg. 37, Presidio of San Francisco, CA 94129.

1. Name the highest point in the United States east of the Mississippi River.
2. The Army's Old Guard, which appeared at the Presidio last year, is assigned to what installation?
3. Giants' pitcher Randy Moffitt has a sister who is also a famous professional athlete. Name her.
4. Name the only Japanese citizen to ever play in the National League in the United States.
5. Before expansion in the 1960s, name the six cities that possessed teams in the National Hockey League.
6. Cassius Clay won a gold medal in the 1960 Olympics in Rome. What was his weight classification?

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS:

1. Idaho; 2. Carl Perkins; 3. Greenland; 4. the M-1 ; 5. Washington DC, Philadelphia and New York City; 6. Harry Steinfeldt.

at the movies

Presidio Theater

Apr. 9	Borderline (PG)	7 p.m.
Apr. 10	Borderline (PG)	7 p.m.
Apr. 11	Bugsy Malone (G)	2 p.m.
Apr. 11	Wholly Moses (PG)	7 p.m.
Apr. 12	Private Benjamin (R)	7 p.m.
Apr. 13	Private Benjamin (R)	7 p.m.
Apr. 14	Private Benjamin (R)	7 p.m.
Apr. 15	New Year's Evil (R)	7 p.m.
Apr. 16	The Elephant Man (PG)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Apr. 9	Raise the Titanic (PG)	7 p.m.
Apr. 10	Schizoid (R)	7 p.m.
Apr. 13	Borderline (PG)	7 p.m.
Apr. 14	Wholly Moses (PG)	7 p.m.
Apr. 15	Private Benjamin (R)	7 p.m.
Apr. 16	Private Benjamin (R)	7 p.m.

Sports

Mixed doubles bowling league set to begin

The Presidio Bowling Lanes is now forming its couples summer league. The league is open to all military personnel dependents and guests.

Sign-up is now going on at the Presidio Bowling, and a meeting is scheduled for April 24 at 7:30 p.m.

Be sure to come ready to bowl. For more information call 387-3759 after 6 p.m.

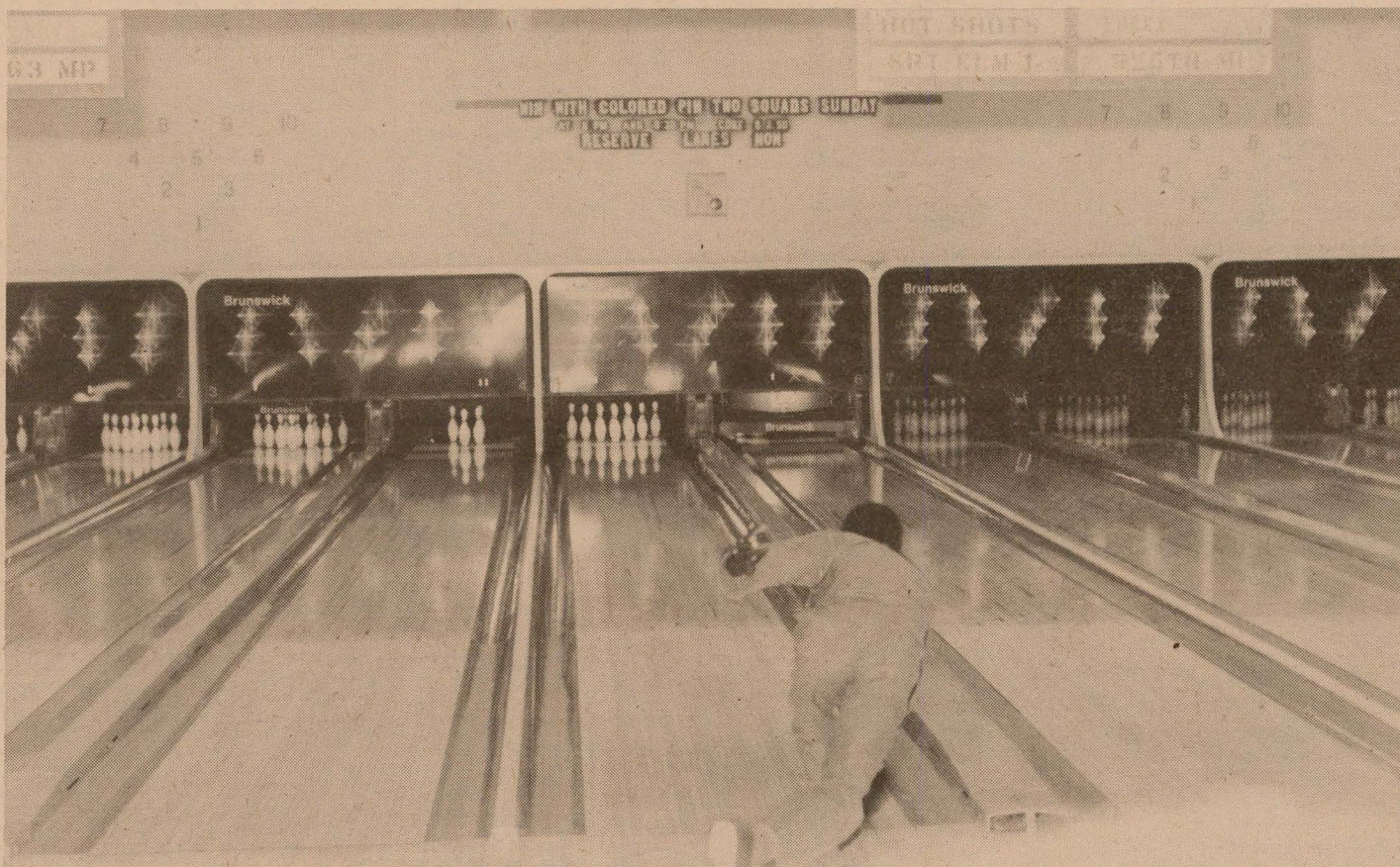


Photo by Jon Chelgren

LAMC wins five games in a row

After two weeks of volleyball competition, LAMC stormed its way to the top (7-1), by winning 5 games in a row, while Golen Gate RC dropped back into second (5-3), by splitting its competition 3-3. The results of the past week are as follows:

Mon., March 30

1. OARB defeated PHS 15-0, 15-0.
2. GGRC defeated PHS 15-0, 15-0.
3. GGRC defeated OARB 15-8, 15-11.

Tuesday, March 31

1. LAMC defeated USAG 15-0, 15-0.
2. 504th defeated OARB 15-4, 15-8.
3. LAMC defeated OARB 15-1, 15-12.

Wed. April 1

1. GGRC defeated USAG 15-0, 15-0.
2. GGRC defeated LAIR 14-16, 15-5, 15-6.
3. LAIR defeated 504th MP 15-9, 15-13.

Thur., April 2

1. 504th MP defeated GGRC 16-14.

2. LAMC Defated GGRC 15-11, 15-5.
3. 504th MP defeated LAMC 15-8, 15-8.

Team	Standings	Won	Loss
LAMC		7	1
GGRC		5	3
504th MP		4	4
LAIR		4	2
USAG		2	4
OARB		1	5
PHS		0	6

2 on 2 tourney

Morale Support Division will be conducting a 2 on 2 basketball tournament, starting on April 20. Advanced sign-ups are required in order to schedule games.

A trophy will be presented to the overall winning team. For further information contact Rey May at ext. 5051.

Boxers wanted

Novice and open boxers are wanted to start a boxing program at the Fort Scott Gym, Bldg. 1226. For additional information, contact Mr. Jim Ragasa, at ext. 5032/3363.

Fun run

The next monthly "Fun Run Race" will be held April 15 at noon with the start/finish at Post Gym No. 1. For additional information, contact Mr. Robert Darling, at ext. 4120/5032. All runners are invited to participate.

Golf results

After three weeks of golf competition, HQ 6th Army 2 remained in front of the league, by tying a stubborn USAG, 4½-4½. In other action, HQ 6th Army 1 defeated ARR IX, 5-4, and LAIR 1 defeated LAIR 2, 6½-6½.

Team	Standings	Won	Loss
HQ 6 ARMY 2		18½	8½
HQ 6 ARMY 1		12	6
ARR IX		15	12
LAIR 1		10½	15½
LAIR 2		7½	19½
USAG		11½	21½
504th MP		4	5

Soccer results

The Presidio Earthquakes defeated the Viking Fogs 7 to 0 to capture second place in the number 12 Soccer League. Robbie McAuley scored 2 goals, and Kevin Blake added one as the quakes took a 3 to 0 half time lead.

A barrage of 4 goals in the second half 3 by McAuley and 1 by Kevin Gross, clinched the game for the quakes. Fine defensive play by Ernie Boatner, Brian Dixon and William Freestone was instrumental in the victory. Goalie Bo Branch had an easy day in the net.

Baseball

The 1981 DYA sports program will be offering a baseball clinic for all players, coaches, officials, and interested patrons, at Pop Hicks Field on Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. The

clinic will be conducted by the San Francisco State University head coach Orin Freeman. For further information contact Karl Gaffney at ext. 5328/2070.

Softball

The intramural softball season will commence on or about April 22 with a clinic to be held at 3 p.m., at Gym 1, Bldg. 63. All coaches, players, and officials should be present.

Wrestling tourney

The intramural wrestling tournament has been rescheduled for April 27. A clinic will be held at 3 p.m. at Gym 1, Bldg. 63, April 27. Anyone desiring to sign-up or needing further information, please contact Mr. Jim Ragasa, at ext. 5032/3364.

Swim class

The Department of Youth Activities is sponsoring a Tiny Tot Swim class to commence on April 15 at the Swimming Pool, Bldg. 1151. For further information contact Mr. Rey Mey at ext. 5051/3673.

DYA Baseball

Boys and girls, ages 7 thru 14 yrs, can still sign-up for baseball. Contact Karl Gaffney, DYA Sports Commissioner, at ext 2070.

Gymnastics

A gymnastics class being offered by Morale Support Activities' DYA branch for youngsters ages 4 thru 19. Lessons began April 1 at Post Gym No. 1.

A one-hour class will meet every Wednesday or Friday until May 6. Cost will be \$12 per student for the entire six-week course.

Fees will be refunded only for insufficient registration. Girls should wear leotards and slippers. Boys should wear shorts and tennis shoes.

Registration fees will be accepted at Morale Support Activities, Bldg. 122, from 8-12 a.m. For more information, call the DYA office at ext 5143.



Quakes and Fogs go for the ball in the playoff game.

Photo by R.J. Smiljanic

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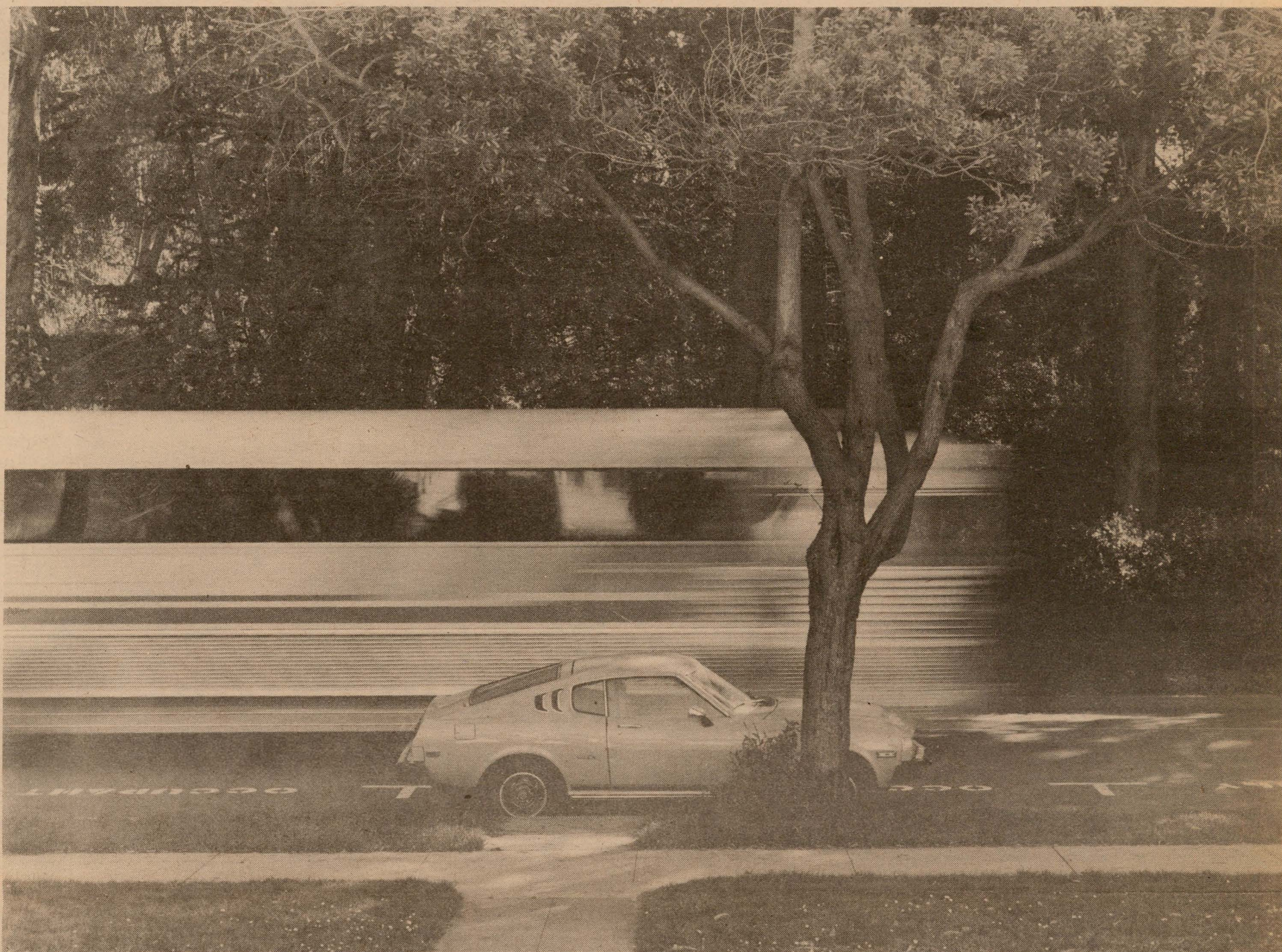


Photo of the week

R. Scott Dewell took top honors this week with his time exposure shot of a passing bus. If you have a photo you would like to enter, send it to Bldg. 37,

Room 216. Please be sure to clearly print your name and phone number on the back.

Holy Week

Regular masses will be conducted at the Chapel of Our Lady and Fort Scott Chapel on **Palm Sunday**. Daily mass and confessions will be held at 11 a.m. and 11:35 a.m. April 13-15.

On **Holy Thursday** the evening mass of the Last Supper will be conducted at 5 p.m. Adoration and confessions will last until 7 p.m. On **Good Friday** the liturgy will be held at 5 p.m. Confessions will be held after the latter service. Confessions on **Holy Saturday** will be from 3-5 p.m. and the Easter Vigil will be at 5 p.m.

All of the Holy Week services will be conducted at the Chapel of Our Lady. The regular Sunday schedule will be followed on Easter. The ecumenical Easter Breakfast will be served from 8-11 a.m. at the Religious Activities Center, Bldg. 682.

Palm Sunday, April 12, begins the Holy Week. Services are at the regular time at the Presidio.

A Maundy Thursday communion service will be held at 7 p.m. on April 16. The Post Chapel Choir will present the Easter Concert on **Good Friday** evening, featuring Brahms's REQUIEM. The concert will be at 8 p.m. The **Good Friday** service will be at noon on April 17.

Easter Sunday will be celebrated with the Sunrise Service at 7 a.m. at the Post Chapel's Memorial Garden. The Sixth U.S. Army Band and the Post Chapel's Choir will present special music. Chaplain (COL) Don

Crowley, California National Guard Chaplain, is the speaker.

Regular Sunday services are at the Post Chapel, Fort Scott and Fort Baker Chapels. The ecumenical **Easter Breakfast** will be served from 8-11 a.m. at the Religious Activities Center, Bldg. 682.

Jewish Passover begins on April 18 at sunset and ends on April 26. Jewish military and dependents are invited to attend Passover Seder Service and dinner on April 19, 6:30 p.m., at Congregation Ner Tamid, 22nd Avenue, Quintara Street at 22nd Avenue. Rabbi William Dalin will conduct the service.

SmokEnders

SmokEnders, an eight-week program to quit smoking using gradual withdrawal methods will be conducting free introductory seminars April 21-23 in Bldg. 910 at 4:30 p.m. The sessions are open to all active and retired military DA civilians and their family members. Substantial discounts are offered. For more information contact Maj. Robert McKenzie at ext. 3701/5730 or Kathy Loyer of SmokEnders at 284-9303.

Equal opportunity

The Presidio Equal Opportunity Officer will be conducting a Unit Discrimination Leaders Course April 20-24 at the Presidio Community Center Bldg. 199 at Ft. Scott. This training is mandatory for all equal opportunity representatives. Other supervisors designated by their commander, director or staff chief may attend on a space available basis.

Nominees must be submitted by April 16. For further information contact 1st Lt. Stein or SFC Allen at ext. 3701/5730.

Concerts

The Sixth United States Army Band has begun a bi-monthly concert series, which each month features an outdoor lunch hour concert and an indoor evening concert.

All outdoor concerts will be held on the parade field, in front of building 38, between 11:30 and 12:30. Everyone is welcome to bring their friends and lunches and enjoy an hour of fine music.

The evening concerts will all be held in the LAIR Auditorium, near Schwartz Theater, and will begin at 7:30 p.m. These bi-monthly concerts will be free to the public.

This month's outdoor concert will be next Thursday with a raindate of Friday and the evening concert will be on Wednesday April 22.

Egg hunt

The annual Presidio Easter Egg Hunt will be conducted at 10 a.m. on Saturday April 18, at El Polin Springs (end of MacArthur Blvd., for dependent children ages 3 thru 12. Children of active duty and retired military personnel are cordially invited to participate in this fun event. For more information, contact Mr. Porter, DYA Director, ext. 5143.

DPCA closing

Offices of the Directorate of Personnel and Community Activities (DPCA) will be closed or operated at a minimum level on Monday morn-

ings starting next week.

A DPCA official reports that required training will be conducted from 9 a.m. until noon. More information will be sent to units in the near future.

Youth dance

The Presidio Parent-Youth Club is sponsoring a dance at the Log Cabin on Saturday. Admission is open to Presidio youth 10 to 18 years of age. A live band will be featured.

The fee will be 25¢ for members and 50¢ for guests. Military identification cards or membership cards will be required at the door.

The dance will last from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. for 10-12 year olds and from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. for 13-18 year olds. For more information, contact Joan Mosco at 561-3987.

CPR classes

American Red Cross will be conducting two CPR (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation) classes in April. Call the Red Cross Office to sign up to attend one of the courses at 561-2187. The courses are scheduled for April 20-22 and April 29-May 1 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Country rock band

"The Novato Military Community Council, will present a Saturday night out at Hamilton Air Force Base, Saturday, April 25th, featuring the Southwest Country Rock Band. There will be a cover charge of \$6 per couple or \$3.50 per single. Some refreshments will be available. The band will start at 9 p.m. in Bldg. 203, in Spanish Housing.

19-gun salute honors GA Omar Bradley



Members of 864th Eng. Bn. fire a 19 gun salute.

Photo by Jon Chelgren

The Presidio joined military posts world wide in firing a ceremonial 19 gun salute Friday in tribute to the late General of the Army Omar N. Bradley.

Members of the 864th Engineers fired the salute at noon in Pershing Square for Bradley, the last surviving five star general, who died April 8 of a heart attack. He was 88.

Nicknamed the "GI's General," Bradley led the Normandy invasion during WWII and was later named as the nation's first chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Ironically, Bradley had thought that his career was at an end after WWI because he had not seen any service outside of the United States.

A 1915 graduate of West Point,

Bradley considered his proudest memory being known as the "GI's General." "They consider me one of them," he once said.

With his stained trench coat and his pants tucked into his boots his appearance contrasted sharply with the dress of his WWII contemporaries, Gen. George Patton and Field Marshal Bernard Montgomery.

In announcing Bradley's death, Secretary of the Army John O Marsh, Jr., said, "General Bradley's passing is a loss not only for this nation but for all freedom-loving people of the world. His service exemplified our nation's highest standard of leadership. He takes his place in history as a great patriot, a peerless military leader and an individual dedicated to the cause of peace in the world."

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Resident honored for her service

A woman who has been deeply involved in a variety of volunteer activities was honored for her service to the Presidio community in ceremonies held at post headquarters last Friday.

Mrs. Charlene Bell, who works as a test examiner at the post Education Center, was named Presidio Citizen of the Quarter by Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., post commander.

Bell was selected by a panel which is made up of representatives of various units and agencies on post. She was cited for her contributions to the post Thrift Shop, Dependent Youth Activities and the NCO Wives Club.

Each Monday Bell and her daughter, Lisa, collect cans and papers and take them to the recyc-

ling center to raise money for the Aquarius Swim Team. She is also the teams' bake sale coordinator.

"I probably spend five hours a week with the team, plus all day Saturday and Sunday," she estimates.

Another of her voluntary activities is the thrift shop which sells second hand items to raise money for all youth activities here at the Presidio.

"It has reasonably priced items," explains Bell. "We have purses, clothing, appliances, color TV's, rugs, jewelry, watches, and much more." Thrift shop donations to Presidio activities totaled nearly \$40,000 last year.

Other projects that receive some of her time are the Enlisted Men's Wives Club of which she is publicity

chairman, and she is also chairperson of the ACS Emergency Child Care Unit. "I am also the welcome person on my street for newcomers," she says.

Bell graduated with a bachelor of science degree from Mississippi Valley State in March 1961. She began her graduate work at Tuskegee Institute and later attended the University of Kentucky, Spaulding College and San Francisco State University.

She has worked as a elementary and high school level English teacher.

Although her time is divided between her job, the Thrift Shop, the NCO Wives Club, and the Aquarius Swim Team, her husband does not, she explains, "need an appointment to see her."



Photo by Tim Dewar

Charlene Bell
Citizen of the Quarter.

Presidio to host 13th US-ROK security talks

by K. Douglas Cook

The Army's oldest, continuously active military post is preparing to enter yet another page in its unique history.

On April 29 and 30, the Presidio will play host to the 13th annual United States-Republic of Korea Security Consultative Meeting (SCM). Involved in this gathering will be high-ranking officials from both countries.

Casper Weinberger, secretary of defense, will lead the American delegation. Representing the Republic of Korea will be Choo Young Bock, minister of national defense.

Also in attendance will be the respective Chairmen of the Joint Chiefs of Staff: Gen. Lew Byong Hion of Korea and Gen. David C. Jones, USAF.

One of the major purposes of this year's SCM is to enable both sides to become better acquainted and lay the groundwork for continued close cooperation in the security area.

It is reported that a wide range of issues will be addressed to include the regional security situation, the threat to the Republic of Korea, force

modernization programs, logistics and technology transfer.

The last SCM was held in Korea in October of 1979. Under established policies, the conference is held in both countries on an alternating basis. No conference was held last year because of national elections in both countries.

Prior to their arrival in San Francisco and the Presidio, Choo and Weinberger will tour selected defense installations and points of interest.

Presidians should be aware of the fact that this year's SCM will bring a large number of dignitaries, general officers and support personnel onto the post for the period of the meetings. Parking will undoubtedly be less available in and near the conference sites which have yet to be officially announced.

Col. F. Whitney Hall, commander of the Presidio, says this is a remarkable opportunity for all post personnel, both military and civilian, to extend the warmest greetings and courtesies to the dignitaries of both countries.



Photo by Tim Dewar

MP makes collar

Spec. 4 Mark W. Tripp, left, and Pvt Joel H. Blake, of the 504th MP Bn, participate in an ARTEP this week at Ft. Hunter Liggett Military Reservation. The unit is scheduled to begin returning to the Presidio today. See related items on pages five and six.

Opinion

Commentary

Discharge Pvt Benjamin

by K. Douglas Cook

Television has become such a collection of high-priced and over-hyped garbage that it's hardly worth the effort to comment on the programming.

Every now and again one show will rise above the normal moronic level we see and it should be commended. A program such as "Masada" was one such worthy of praise.

On the other hand, we are exposed to such ill-advised, ill-produced and ill-written programs as one currently on CBS entitled "Private Benjamin."

Several months ago I reviewed the movie version of this disaster for another publication. In that review I stated that Goldie Hawn and her cohorts should have had the common decency to at least accurately portray the Army as it is in fact. In short, in my opinion, the movie was awful!

At least Ms. Hawn had shown the good sense to avoid the television spin-off of "Private Benjamin." If you've had the misfortune to see this

prime time alleged comedy, you might understand what I mean.

One can start at the most elementary level. Any writer worth his or her salt will research a subject and try to inject some semblance of realism into the final product. "M*A*S*H" has Col. Potter and Hot Lips as balancing characters and remains very entertaining.

I have labored in and around the television and motion picture industry long enough to know that there are many ways to produce a funny and accurate program about the military. The Army actually has a fully-staffed office of professional military personnel who will provide assistance in such matters. I sincerely hope that our representatives in Los Angeles had absolutely nothing whatsoever to do with "Private Benjamin."

To the point. There are inaccuracies at every insipid turn. Uniforms worn improperly by all actors. Widely-known military customs and cour-

tesies are totally ignored. Women are demeaned in their roles and portrayal. It's a sad combination of racism, sexism and stupidity—all brought to us by Warner Brothers Television.

I might have been able to overlook the uniform errors and the trite dialogue. However, in the most recent program, they went entirely too far! They crossed the line of good taste when this collection of semi-talented actors offered their version of the airborne soldier!!

It's not bad enough when they demean the Army. They actually had the unmitigated gall, the poor taste and the sheer lack of decency to portray some of the most elite soldiers in the Army in such a manner! I've stated before and will so again. The Army is entertaining enough without having to embellish or twist truth one bit. Hopefully "Private Benjamin" will pass quickly from the screen of the idiot box to be buried along with other such programs.

AUSA report

How Do You Attract the Apprentice Soldier and Keep the Careerist?

Our volunteer Army must compete with private enterprise for the services of the healthy, intelligent young men and women which both these segments of our society need to operate efficiently. The Army has the additional problem of keeping its good people in the ranks after they have been trained and have become potentially even more valuable to the private sector.

Thus far in the modern history of volunteerism, the tendency on the part of the Department of Defense and Congress has been to set the entry level-pay of new or apprentice service personnel to a level that is hopefully competitive with the blandishments offered by civilian employment.

This approach has been modestly

successful, but, in the view of the Army's Chief of Staff, Gen. Edward C. Meyer, the high level of apprentice pay has shrunk the difference in compensation between new soldiers and the journeymen careerists to the point where there is insufficient incentive to assume the responsibilities that go with a military career.

As Gen. Meyer sees it, the first priority of the Army is to maintain a viable career force and the present pay scales do not put enough emphasis on that need. The Army should be able to distinguish more clearly between the soldier who is willing to serve a single enlistment and the one who can be motivated toward a military career.

In a draft environment this would be simple to do. A man or woman

drafted into the Army could be paid at a subsistence level with the understanding that their service would be brief. If the draftee later decided to volunteer for further service, he or she could be readily shifted to a career pay scale designed to eventually help support a family and to encourage assumption of career responsibilities.

But we don't have an operative draft, so we are faced with the need to entice volunteers for that initial period of service. Gen. Meyer and the Army think that a properly designed package of educational incentives, closely paralleling the World War II GI Bill of Rights, could fill the gap between realistically set apprentice pay and more appropriate levels of career pay as a lure toward the initial decision to enlist. Careerists, of

course, should also have an education incentive available.

The growing complexity of modern warfare and the equipment with which that war would be fought demands that our military ranks be filled with good people at all levels of experience and responsibility. A properly constructed level of apprentice pay coupled with adequate incentives of other kinds, primarily education, could bring in recruits of the needed quality.

A more noticeable jump in pay from the apprentice to the career level, once again coupled with a realistic incentive package, could help us convert the best of the apprentices into journeymen soldiers and keep them for a full career.

Letter to the Editor. . .

Editor,

A couple of months ago, I began to notice some small black bugs in my dry goods purchased from the Commissary. I started discarding all dry goods that had the bugs in them, which proved to be of no avail in stopping the bugs. I noticed that the bugs were also in my cans. "My God!", I said to myself, "Is there no end to this?" Feeling sick to my stomach and very discouraged at this point, not knowing what kind of bug I was dealing with, besides for the fact that it craved dry goods and apparently survives very well on these items.

I made a few phone calls and talked with the Commissary Officer, Mr. John Rose. I informed him of my problem and asked whether they could come out to my home and investigate. They couldn't make

home visits, I was told. However, if I wanted to bring the goods over to the Commissary, they would have their vet examine and test the bug to determine what kind it was.

I carried some of the dry goods to the Commissary. Some items were partially open, because they were in the cannister can. But, the majority of them had never been opened. I requested a refund be made on the unopened items since the vet's team was already in the process of cutting open one of these bags of flour and pouring it into a cardboard box top for inspection. However, I was told to wait until the next day for the vet's report. So, I did.

I phoned two days later and was told The vet's report cleared

them of any blame, that the problem was mine and the vet recommends that I have my quarters exterminated." Then, he went on to say that, "I was to pick up my items immediately, because they would not allow the dry goods to stay in the store." The items are still being held by the Commissary today.

I went to the office of the DIO, who promised to investigate. They later told me they had found nothing wrong. I still did not receive a refund.

Don't bug me

We went to all three agencies you mentioned to get an answer to your complaint. The following response was provided by the commissary manager. The responses we got from the deputy for Veterinary Activities and Directorate of Industrial Operations supported Mr. Rose's answer.

The allegation that the products had bugs in them when purchased from the commissary is not valid in my opinion. Any customer who finds bugs in a product normally returns that item to the commissary immediately and requests replacement and/or a refund. For a customer to allege she found bugs in a product and then stored it or moved it within her household, or discarded it, and then comes forward two or three months later and says the cause of

the problem originated at the commissary is absurd.

The lady in question did talk to me, but never did the question come up of going to her home to investigate. The question that was asked of me was what type of bug was involved, and I advised her that I did not know and referred her to Sgt. Dorman, the veterinary technician.

The infestation of the food was not the result of or directly attributed to the commissary. I would like to point out that we have not had any items returned to the commissary as a result of infestation in excess of three years. If there had been a number of complaints of infestation regarding the products in question, or even products stored adjacent to them, then credit or replacement would have gladly been given for the products. The fact is that we have had no such experiences.

The commissary is not obligated to replace merchandise that becomes infested or contaminated due to causes beyond its control and outside of the facility. To do so is unfair to other commissary patrons who indirectly pay for these losses which are paid for by the Trust Revolving Fund Account (Surcharge).

JOHN C. ROSE
Commissary Officer

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Nine winners

Top post employee entries due by May

by K. Douglas Cook

Nine Presidians will soon be named Employees of the Year. The problem is—no one knows who these people are at present!

Each year the San Francisco Federal Executive Board (FEB) sponsors a Federal Employee of the Year Awards Program. Nominations are requested from all federal agencies throughout the Bay area and, once again this year, Lt. Gen C.M. Hall is the FEB Chairman.

Although the Presidio has always participated in this program, the Local Incentive Awards Committee became aware of the fact that many truly outstanding employees fail to be nominated or were improperly represented through inadequate nominations. Therefore, last year a new, parallel program was established which names nine Presidio Employees of the Year.

Nominations for this year's awards program must be submitted by May 15. These nominations must come through the appropriate channels and reach the Incentive Awards Branch, Civilian Personnel Office, by the deadline.

All nominations received will be judged by the Local Incentive Awards Committee (LIAC) as submitted. The categories for submission are the same as the FEB and include: administrative, clerical, equal employment opportunity, handicapped, management, professional, service to the community, technical, trades, and crafts.

Nominations are open to all federal employees, military or civilian, regardless of rank or funding source. This program emphasizes the concept of a total workforce and encourages submission of nominees who truly deserve recognition for hard work.

Once the nominations are reviewed at the Presidio level and selections made, all original paperwork will be returned to the individual who made the nomination so that corrections can be made and any additional information may be added prior to submitting the nomination to the FEB.

Barbara Eckstrom, administrator of the Presidio Incentive Awards program, is looking forward to assisting anyone interested in submitting a nomination.

Last year five Presidio employees made it to the finals of the FEB selection process. One employee from the Facilities Engineering Office was selected as the Bay Area winner in category.

For more information about the Presidio and Federal Employee of the Year Awards Program, contact Eckstrom at 561-4332 or stop by her office in Bldg. 37.



Photo by Linda Spillane

Disaster training

Simulated patients from LAMC's Student Company and Medical Explorer Post 38 wait for ambulances to transport them to the emergency treatment area during operation LAMDEX-81. The exercise was a re-creation of the 1906 earthquake and required LAMC personnel to deal with simulated serious injury patients in large quantities.

Basic skills program at Treasure Island

Columbia College will initiate a Tuesday night program in basic skills at its Treasure Island location as part of the spring session which begins on May 24.

The program will consist, at least in its early stages, of one class, English 100 Reading and Writing Skills, a three-credit-hour course designed for students who need remedial work.

Columbia is also offering five other courses at its Treasure Island campus: Juvenile Delinquency (Monday), Advanced Management (Tuesday), Introduction to Life Sciences (Wednesday),

Judicial Process (Thursday), and Economics I (Thursday).

Juvenile Delinquency, Advanced Management, and Judicial Process are all upper-level courses suitable for students who have previous college work. Beginning students can register for Reading and Study Skills, Introduction to Life Sciences, and Economics I.

Classes at Columbia's campus at the Coast Guard Training Center in Petaluma are English Composition II (Wednesday) and Economics I (Thursday).

Each Columbia College class meets one night a week for an eight-week session. According to Columbia officials, this concentrated evening schedule allows active duty students to work full-time toward their degrees.

Progress toward a degree can also be accelerated by Columbia's policy of accepting CLEP and DANTES scores and by its evaluation of military schools and experience for academic credit.

Additional information can be obtained by calling Larry Blades or Margaret Kirkpatrick at 397-5613 or the Presidio Education Center at ext. 4445.

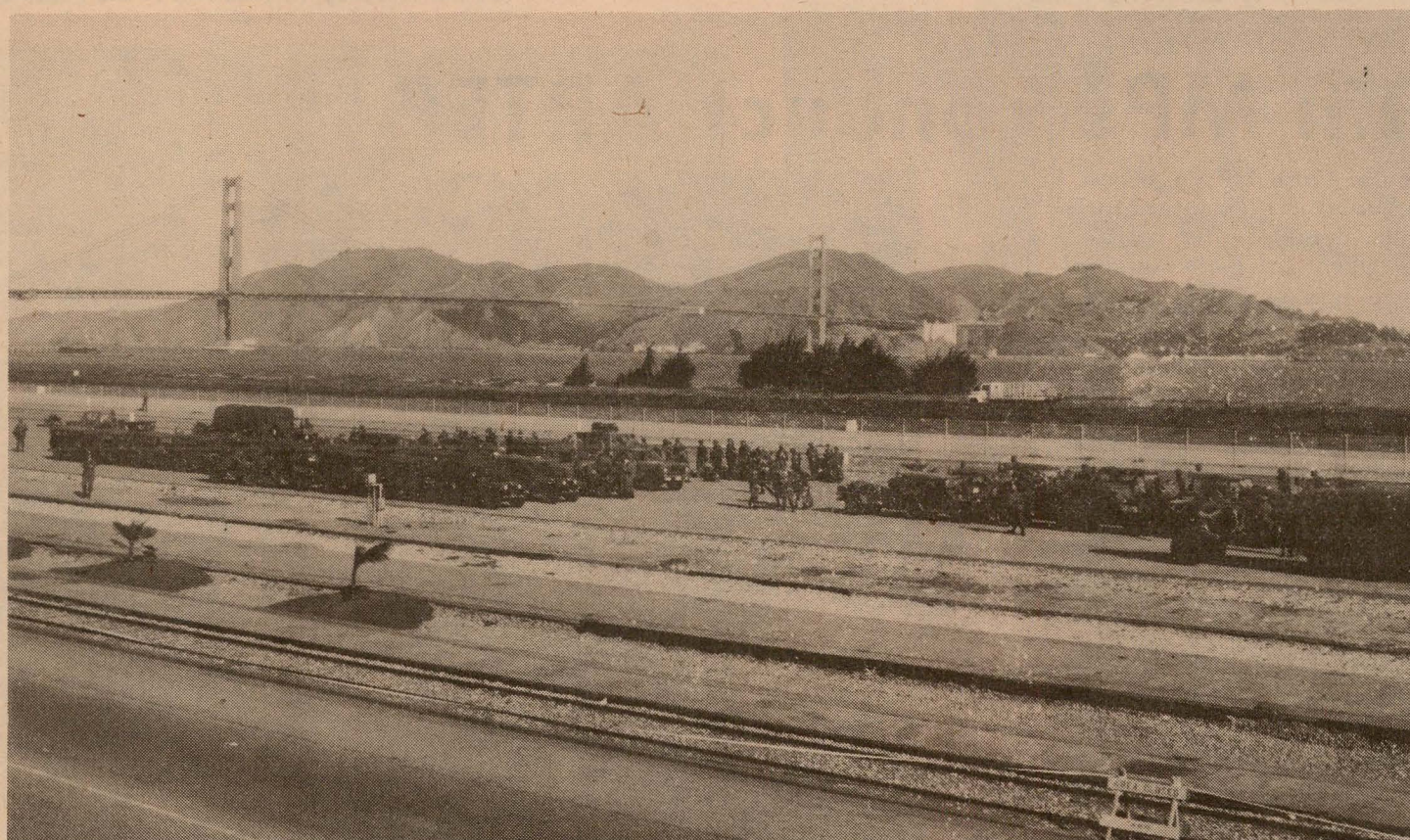


Photo by W. Mackiel

Ready to move out

Members of the 504th MP Bn stand ready for deployment as they complete an Emergency Deployment Readiness Exercise (EDRE) on Friday. The units which took part in the exercise were: HHD 504th 170th MP Co., 51st

Engineer Detachment, and 16th A.G. Postal. An EDRE measures a unit's ability to go through the procedures for overseas deployment or emergency operational requirements.

Major General Freeman cited

Major General Howard Freeman, State Military Reserve, was honored last Thursday at a luncheon and awards ceremony here at the Presidio.

A long-time San Francisco resident and former newspaperman, Freeman was awarded the Order of California by Maj. Gen. Frank J. Schober, Jr., commander of the California National Guard.

The "Order of California" is the highest award for non-combat or life saving service that can be presented by the California National Guard.

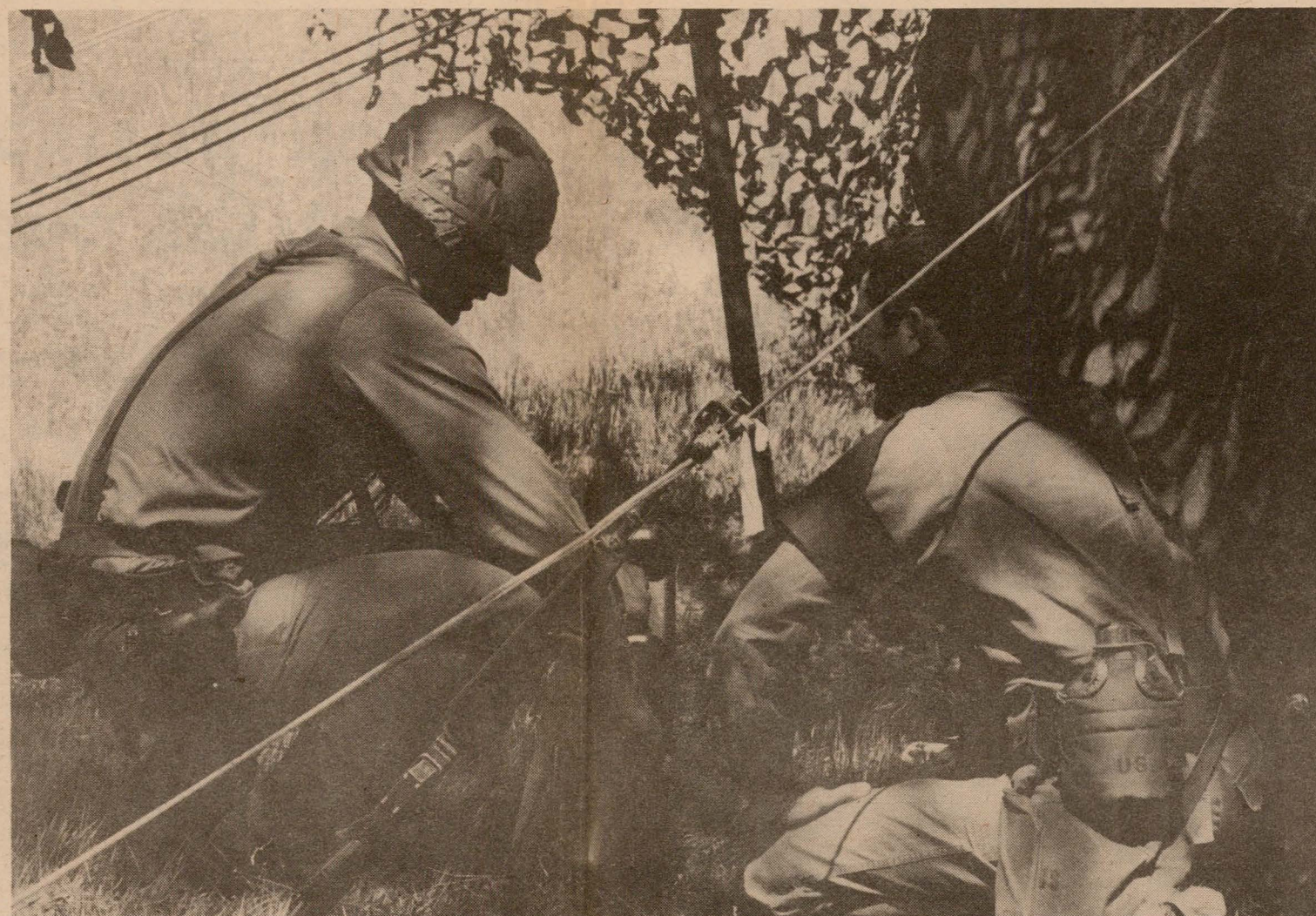
The award was presented to Freeman for exceptionally meritorious service to the California National Guard and the State of California which spanned a period of over 50 years.

Freeman is currently assigned as a Special Assistant to the Commanding General of the California National Guard and serves as the State Chairman and Sixth United States Army Coordinator for the Employer Support to the Guard and Reserve.



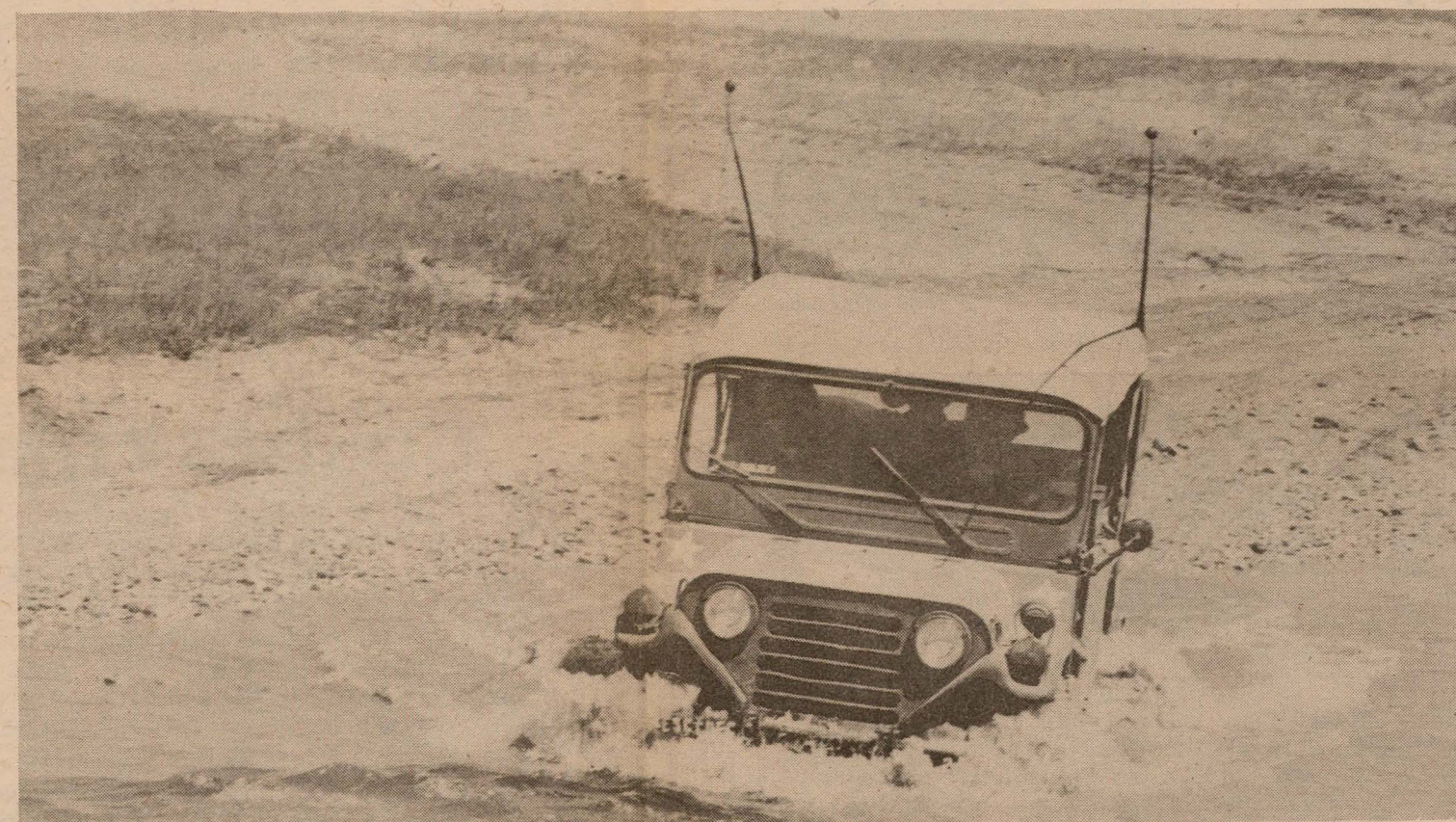
Sp4 Mark Tripp searches Pvt Joel A. Blake in the POW compound.

Photo by Tim Dewar



170th MP Commander Capt Peter Decomas discusses the ARTEP with one of his men.

Photo by Tim Dewar



A transport jeep crosses one of the many streams at Hunter-Liggett.

Photo by Tim Dewar

170th MPs conduct ARTEP

Members of the 170th MP Co. began a week long ARTEP Saturday at Ft. Hunter-Liggett Military Reservation, one day after completing an emergency deployment readiness exercise.

Supporting Ft. Ord's 1st Brigade of the 7th Infantry Division, the MP's provided tactical operations center (TOC) security, rear area protection, route and area reconnaissance, began MP patrols and with the help of the 13th Engineer Battalion, built two completely operational prisoner of war camps, according to 170th commander, Capt. Peter Decomas.

According to Decomas, "the prisoner of war compounds have an inprocessing area, interrogation stations and a place to separate AWOLs, officers, junior enlisted and senior NCO's."

"Only three things in the ARTEP are simulated," Decomas explains, "one of our platoons is securing the brigade TOC for an imaginary infantry company, we are not digging in as well as we would like to, and we are not delousing the prisoners."

"But," he adds, "A10 and F111 aircraft are spraying us with NBC and we are having night air attacks."

Half of the company will complete the exercise and return to the Presidio today, the rest will return tomorrow.



PFC Thomas Martin, 1st Bde. practices field hygiene.



Pvt Memorie E. Boy-Chief polices their "dining area."

Photo by Tim Dewar



PFC David Majalca adjusts the rounds for his M-60.

Photo by Tim Dewar



Sp4 Robert Johnson 2/34 Inf. assumes the back leaning rest position.

Photo by Tim Dewar

Time to spare



Nana Pak, of the Post Exchange, models spring coordinates.

Photo by Jon Chelgren

NCO wives model PX spring fashions

Spring fashions from the Presidio Exchange were highlighted as the Presidio NCO Wives' Club held a fashion show at the NCO club on Friday.

Club president, Libby Williams, called the event, "a combination fund-raising and social affair." She explained that the show was held primarily to raise donation for the club's charitable activities.

"But we also had a good social event and were able to show many of the PX's newest spring fashions for men, women and the kids," she added.

Sixteen models paraded more than thirty outfits ranging in price from under \$10 to around \$100. All of the clothing was provided by the Post Exchange. Make-up was provided by Fashion Fair Cosmetics.



Tamra Hamilton, of Fashion Fair applies make-up.

Photo by Jon Chelgren

Post library gets new book service

The Post Library System is now subscribing to the **McNaughton Plan**, a convenient source of popular fiction and non-fiction, which will make it possible to provide multiple copies of best-sellers fast.

McNaughton will automatically send the top 10 titles on the New York Times best-seller list. In addition, toll-free telephone ordering with 48-hour response to reserves list requirements will be provided through McNaughton's "Fast/Serv" service. McNaughton books are available at both the Main Post Library and Letterman Branch.

Presidio Military & Civilian employees can now purchase **Great America Tickets** for only \$8.50. Children 3 and under are admitted free.

Specially reduced admission tickets which are good any operating day during Great America's 1981 season, are now on sale at the Recreation Center. Cost for each ticket is only \$8.50, a special benefit of Presidio of San Francisco.

Each ticket includes a full day's admission and unlimited use of the Park's rides, shows and attractions. The Santa Clara theme park is open on spring and fall weekends (Easter Week—daily) and daily in summer. Park operating hours and dates are printed on the tickets.

Everyone presenting a ticket at the park entrance March 7 thru May 3, will receive \$3 in fun money to spend inside Great America on food, merchandise and non-coin operated games!

Great America's attractions this year include "Music! Music! Music!" an electrifying musical revue in the Grand Music Hall performed by the Great America Singers and an encore engagement of "The Bugs Bunny Story" in Theatre Royale. "To Fly," a spectacular IMAX film is seen on the world's largest motion picture screen too!

A Beginners Woodworking Class starts Friday, Friday evenings,

for a 5-week duration, 6:30-9:30 p.m. This class introduces the various hardwoods available and the safety and usage of the woodworking tools and equipment. This class is required for all beginners and is a prerequisite for intermediate classes and workshops.

The **Oil Painting Class** meets every Wednesday evening 6-9 p.m. This class is ongoing and interested persons can join it at any time. The instructor furnishes still life studies which begin with sketches and progresses to completed oils on canvas.

A **Ceramics Decoration Workshop** will be held on Saturday, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Techniques and products covered include glaze, underglaze and Bisq-stain application.

This is a valuable opportunity for beginners and intermediate ceramicists to become better acquainted with available products and techniques.

The **1981 Salmon fishing season** opened with a tremendous success and it is continually getting better with lots of limits on boats coming back. Even the bottom-fishing boats are occasionally pulling them in.

Now is the time to plan your fishing trips since many of the boats are being booked for reservations far in advance. Outdoor Recreation has acquired several reservations on one of the finest salmon boats in this area. The 50-foot "**Wacky Jacky**" is one of the newest and fastest. (22 knots) boats with many modern conveniences to make your fishing trip enjoyable.

Reservations are now being taken at Outdoor Recreation. The cost is \$32, which includes transportation, rod and reel, bait and coffee. Payment is required in advance. For more information contact Outdoor Recreation, Bldg. 92, 561-4324/4356.

1981 SCHEDULE (SALMON)
APRIL MAY JUNE
Fri., 10th Fri., 15th Fri., 19th
Sun., 12th

Mahoney's magnificent minutiae

Submit your answers to this week's list on a postcard or plain sheet of paper along with your name and address to: Mahoney's Minutiae, c/o The Star Presidian, Bldg. 37, Presidio of San Francisco, CA 94129.

1. Name the only man ever to pinch hit for Ted Williams.
2. The 1982 Super Bowl will be played in what city? Name the stadium.
3. For all of you old television buffs, in the Dobie Gillis Show, what did the G stand for in Maynard G. Krebs name?
4. The United States has played host to three Winter Olympic Games. The 1980 Games were in Lake Placid, NY. Name the other two (with the years they were held).
5. Who won the 1980 Boston Marathon?
6. What form is used by the individual soldier to participate in the Army's Hometown News Release Program?

ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK:

1. Mt. Washington, NH; 2. Ft Myer, VA; 3. Billie Jean King; 4. Masanori Murakami, SF Giants; 5. Chicago, New York, Toronto, Montreal, Detroit and Boston; 6. Light heavyweight.

at the movies

Presidio Theater

Apr. 16	The Elephant Man (PG)	7 p.m.
Apr. 17	The Elephant Man (PG)	7 p.m.
Apr. 18	Mary Poppins (G)	2 p.m.
Apr. 18	Mary Poppins (G)	7 p.m.
Apr. 19	Cheech & Chongs Next Movie (R)	7 p.m.
Apr. 20	Cheech & Chongs Next Movie (R)	7 p.m.
Apr. 21	When Time Ran Out (PG)	7 p.m.
Apr. 22	Steel (PG)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Apr. 16	Private Benjamin (R)	7 p.m.
Apr. 17	New Years Evil (R)	7 p.m.
Apr. 20	The Elephant Man (PG)	7 p.m.
Apr. 21	Mary Poppins (G)	7 p.m.
Apr. 22	Cheech & Chongs Next Movie (R)	7 p.m.

Sports



Coach Geltz helps the children learn to stretch correctly.

Photo by Tim Dewar

SFSU coach gives DYA clinic

More than 60 players from the Dependent Youth Activities (DYA) Baseball Program attended a clinic at Pop Hicks Field on Monday, officially opening the 1981 season.

Orrin Freeman, head baseball

coach at San Francisco State University, conducted the clinic on baseball fundamentals. Freeman brought along several of his players. Each SFSU player gave a short talk on his specialty and answered questions from the youngsters.

After the lecture on fundamentals, stations were set up and the participants rotated between them. At each stop they were given the chance to work on the basic skills of batting, throwing, baserunning, and fielding.

Bart Porter, DYA director, called the clinic "an excellent way to begin the season." He indicated that the concept of preseason sports clinics, which actually began with this year's DYA soccer season, has proved to be of value to both players and coaches.

Swim team wins at Benicia Island

The Aquarius Swimming Team, led by Blanca Castillo who took first place in three events, made a strong showing in the Benicia Island meet last week.

In the 10 and under division, Lisa Bell finished third in the 100 yard breaststroke, fourth in the 50 yard breaststroke, sixth in the 50 yard fly, seventh in the 200 yard freestyle, and eighth in the 200 yard individual medley. Lisa Langeliers took third in the 100 yard backstroke.

Castillo demonstrated her strength by taking first in the 50 and 100 yard freestyle as well as the 100 yard fly in the 13 and 14 year old category. She also picked up a second in the 200 yard individual medley, a fourth in the 100 yard breaststroke, a fifth in the 100 yard backstroke, and a seventh in the 400 yard freestyle.

Victor Castillo finished first in the 100 yard freestyle, second in the 200 yard individual medley, third in the 200 yard freestyle and 100 yard backstroke, and fourth in the 100 yard breaststroke.

Other top finishers in the 13-14 division were Melva George who took third in the 100 yard breaststroke, and Lee Ann Langeliers who came in eighth in the 100 yard freestyle.



Coach Orrin Freeman explains the importance of bat length in hitting.

Photo by Tim Dewar

Sport shorts

Jobs available

Paid positions are available in the DYA Summer Programs for individuals with experience instructing youngsters in swimming and archery. Swim instructors must have current Water Safety Instructor Certificate. For more information, contact the DYA Director at ext. 5143.

Golf standings

Intramural golf results as of April 9: ARR IX defeated Oakland Army Base 7-2. This was the only match played due to field commitments by the other members of the league. Current standings are as follows:

TEAM		
6th ARMY, No. 2	18½	8½
6th ARMY, No. 1	12	6
ARR IX	22	14
LAIR No. 1	10½	15½
LAIR No. 2	7½	19½
USAG	11½	21½
504th MP BN	4	5
OARB	2	7

Softball tryouts

A meeting of all personnel interested in trying out for the Post Men's Softball Team will be held at Fort Scott Field 1 on Monday at 5 p.m. Team practice will be held immediately after the meeting and on Wednesday and Friday at 6 p.m. at Fort Scott Field 1. Team coach is SFC James Poole. For additional information, contact Mr. Bobbie Gascon at ext. 4120/5032.

Post volleyball

LAIR vs USAG—LAIR, 15-USAG, 0 (two games, same score)
USAG vs OARB—USAG, 15-OARB 0 (two games, same score)
LAIR vs OARB—LAIR, 15-OARB 0 (two games, same score)
LAMC vs PHS—LAMC, 15-PHS, 7;
LAMC vs PHS—LAMC, 15-PHS, 7
LAIR vs PHS—LAIR, 15-PHS, 8;
LAIR vs PHS—LAIR, 15-PHS, 8
LAMC vs LAIR—LAMC, 15-LAIR, 10;
LAMC vs LAIR—LAMC, 15-LAIR, 6
GGRC vs OARB—GGRC, 15-OARB 0;
GGRC vs OARB—GGRC, 15-OARB, 4
GGRC vs PHS—GGRC, 15-PHS, 13;
GGRC vs PHS—GGRC, 15-PHS, 9
OARB vs PHS—OARB, 15-PHS, 13;
OARB vs PHS—OARB, 15-PHS, 12

2 on 2 tourney

Morale Support Division will be conducting a 2 on 2 basketball tournament, starting on April 20. Advanced sign-ups are required in order to schedule games.

A trophy will be presented to the overall winning team. For further information contact Rey May at ext. 5051.

Boxers wanted

Novice and open boxers are wanted to start a boxing program at the Fort Scott Gym, Bldg. 1226. For additional information, contact Mr. Jim Ragasa, at ext. 5032/3363.

Wrestling tourney

The intramural wrestling tournament has been rescheduled for April 27. A clinic will be held at 3 p.m. at Gym 1, Bldg. 63, April 27. Anyone desiring to sign-up or needing further information, please contact Mr. Jim Ragasa, at ext. 5032/3364.

Presidio News Notes



Photo of the week

This week's winner is Emma Edwards of San Francisco. Her entry of a seagull in

flight will go on to compete for Photo of the Quarter honors. If you have a photo which you would like to enter, send it to Room 216, Bldg. 37.

WOSL tea

The Women's Overseas Service League (WOSL) is giving a tea May 3. WOSL is a national organization of women from branches of the service and civilians who served overseas with the armed forces during war or national emergency.

Women interested in attending the tea phone Elizabeth VanKirk, 931-5964, for time and place.

Secretary class

Classes in secretarial skills will be offered from April 28 to June 12 at the Army Education Center, Bldg. 1216, Fort Scott. The following classes are offered: Military Correspondence, 7:30-8:30, Shorthand I, 8:30-9:30, and Typing I and II from 9:30-11:30.

These classes are offered Tuesday through Friday. They are free of charge, and are open to military, civilian and dependents. For more information or to enroll, please call ext 2974/4445.

YMCA benefit

A benefit for the Theatre at Central YMCA, 220 Golden Gate Avenue, S.F., will be given on Thursday, May 7. Proceeds will go towards the renovation of the Theatre.

This centrally located facility has been chosen to spearhead the regeneration of the inner-city and provide an arts center available to the community.

The evening will include dinner, prepared and served by the Culinary Academy of S.F., a full program of entertainment featuring Ruth Hast-

ings and many other Bay Area performing arts groups.

It will be a carnival night—with magicians, mimes, jugglers, and many other acts. The fundraising project has gained support from several community arts and civic groups.

For ticket information call Caroline Morrison at the YMCA, 885-0460.

DPCA closing

Offices of the Directorate of Personnel and Community Activities (DPCA) will be closed or operated at a minimum level on Monday mornings starting next week.

A DPCA official reports that required training will be conducted from 9 a.m. until noon. More information will be sent to units in the near future.

Egg hunt

The annual Presidio Easter Egg Hunt will be conducted at 10 a.m. on Saturday April 18, at El Polin Springs (end of MacArthur Blvd.), for dependent children ages 3 thru 12. Children of active duty and retired military personnel are cordially invited to participate in this fun event. For more information, contact Mr. Porter, DYA Director, ext. 5143.

CPR classes

American Red Cross will be conducting two CPR (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation) classes in April. Call the Red Cross Office to sign up to attend one of the courses at 561-2187. The courses are scheduled for April 20-22 and April 29-May 1 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Holy Week

On Holy Thursday the evening mass of the Last Supper will be conducted at 5 p.m. Adoration and confessions will last until 7 p.m. On Good Friday the liturgy will be held at 5 p.m. Confessions will be held after the latter service. Confessions on Holy Saturday will be from 3-5 p.m. and the Easter Vigil will be at 5 p.m.

All of the Holy Week services will be conducted at the Chapel of Our Lady. The regular Sunday schedule will be followed on Easter. The ecumenical Easter Breakfast will be served from 8-11 a.m. at the Religious Activities Center, Bldg. 682.

Palm Sunday, April 12, begins the Holy Week. Services are at the regular time at the Presidio.

A Maundy Thursday communion service will be held at 7 p.m. on April 16. The Post Chapel Choir will present the Easter Concert on Good Friday evening, featuring Brahms's REQUIEM. The concert will be at 8 p.m. The Good Friday service will be at noon on April 17.

Easter Sunday will be celebrated with the Sunrise Service at 7 a.m. at the Post Chapel's Memorial Garden. The Sixth U.S. Army Band and the Post Chapel's Choir will present special music. Chaplain (COL) Don Crowley, California National Guard Chaplain, is the speaker.

Regular Sunday services are at the Post Chapel, Fort Scott and Fort Baker Chapels. The ecumenical Easter Breakfast will be served from 8-11 a.m. at the Religious Activities Center, Bldg. 682.

Notice

All support activities of the Transportation Division, Bldg. 39, will be closed on Monday, May 18, and not on April 20, as previously announced. Closure is necessary due to removal of asbestos insulation.

Units, activities and individuals requiring Personnel or Materiel Movement support are requested to plan accordingly. Normal business hours resume on May 19.

Scholarships

The Presidio Enlisted Men's Wives Club has announced the start of its annual scholarship drive.

The Scholarship amount is \$500 from the Enlisted Wives.

All dependents of enlisted personnel assigned to the Presidio, its sub-posts or a dependent of a club member in good standing are eligible for this award.

SQT results

Word has been received that all SQT results which have been graded since March 9 are incorrect due to a computer problem.

1st Lt. Greg Martin, Presidio Training Standards officer announced on Tuesday that the scores of all soldiers, regardless of MOS or skill level, were affected.

Martin added that the problem has been resolved and corrected results will be issued.

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Photo by Jon Chelgren

What's up doc?

The Easter Bunny greets a young visitor to the post's annual Easter egg hunt held Saturday morning at the end of MacArthur Blvd. More than 200 Presidio children turned out for the hunt and got a chance to greet the Easter Bunny, who was played by Mick Workman of the Morale Support Activities Division.

73 years old

U.S. Army Reserve marks it's birthday

Today marks the 73d anniversary of the founding of the United States Army Reserve.

In a congratulatory message to Reserve Commanders, Sixth US Army Commanding General, Lt. Gen. Charles M. Hall said, "The men and women of Headquarters, Sixth US Army, join me in extending best wishes to you and members of your command on this occasion."

April 23 marks a proud and critical tradition in our defense program—historically and, especially today, in real terms as we continue to place greater emphasis on Reserve Component integration into the total defense effort.

Thank you, too, for your tremendous overall contributions. Aside from the invaluable role you play in the Total Army, it's good to have you as part of the Sixth Army family."

In a message to Reserve Forces, Maj. Gen. William R. Beckman, chief of the Army Reserve noted, "seventy-three years ago Congress created the Medical Reserve Corps from which today's Army Reserve has evolved

into a force of over 400,000 in troop program units and the individual ready reserve.

The Army Reserve springs from our nation's citizen soldier concept which dates from the founding of the nation, which this year celebrates the last event of the bicentennial—the 200th anniversary of the Battle of Yorktown, the final battle in the War of Independence.

Today the United States Army Reserve is an essential element of the total Army. The Troop program units provide substantial combat support, combat service support and general support, as well as significant combat units. The individual Ready Reserve is required upon mobilization for fillers, replacements and cadre for new units.

On the historic anniversary, all Americans can take pride in their dedicated fellow citizens who serve the cause of National Security in the Army Reserve. The reservist is, as Winston Churchill once said, "twice the citizen" and fully deserves our gratitude, admiration and support."

Vietnam veterans to be honored Sunday

President Reagan has approved legislation to proclaim April 26, 1981, as "National Recognition Day for veterans of the Vietnam era."

In a local observance, five Vietnam Veterans from the Presidio will take part in opening ceremonies at the Giants game, Sunday afternoon at Candlestick Park.

WO1 Craig Lee has been invited by club officials to throw out the first

ball. He will be joined by SFC's Dennis Wilson, Philip Sowers, Nilger Moore, and Sterne Roufa who are to serve as the color-guard. All five are assigned to Headquarters Company U.S. Army Garrison.

Sp4 Donald B. Jacob, of the Sixth U.S. Army Band will play the National Anthem in the ceremony. The Candlestick Park observance is one of a number of such activities to be held at major league parks around the country.

During previous observances, this special occasion was known as "Vietnam Veterans Day." The result of a joint resolution approved by Congress on March 31, this year's acknowledgment is formally designated "Public Law 97-9." It carries the emphasis of a Congress and Administration especially mindful of the sacrifice made by the thousands of military personnel called to serve their nation during the Vietnam conflict.

To renew the nation's tribute to

those who served—as well as to those whose past service continues to take its toll—the new law authorizes and requests the President to establish a National Day of Recognition. It provides for observing the day "with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities, including a week of symposia hearings and conferences to be conducted in Washington, D.C., prior to April 26, dedicated to those issues of concern to Vietnam Veterans.

Army officials announce important new benefit

A recent decision by Army officials will allow military personnel to enjoy a benefit that was formerly authorized only to Department of the Army civilians.

The deputy chief of staff for personnel recently approved a change to Army Regulation 630-5 which governs leaves, passes and permissive temporary duty (TDY). It will authorize soldiers to use up to seven days of permissive TDY to travel to their next station and locate suitable housing for their families.

DA civilians have been entitled to a similar benefit in the past and initial reaction from soldiers on the change has been very positive. Often, when moving to a new duty station, military families are placed in a difficult situation when on-post housing is not available. The new

policy will allow the service member to travel ahead to the new duty station and take care of these arrangements before bringing his family on a permanent move.

Under the change to AR 630-5, the service member can proceed on permissive TDY as soon as orders are received. Only one trip per set of orders is authorized. Those who desire to settle their families at a designated location because of an unaccompanied tour may also take advantage of the new rule.

Personnel who are: entering basic training or officer candidate school, proceeding to an initial duty station, TDY to a service school, on an exchange assignment, or separation orders are not eligible.

The policy is expected to go into effect in approximately two weeks.



1906 revisited

A cavalry squadron from the Presidio stands in the ruins of the old San Francisco Hall of Justice after the Great Earthquake of 1906. Experts agree that it will happen again, some indicating that it could be in this decade. In this issue, Michael Christy examines the subject of earthquakes and what is being done to prepare for the next big one in the Bay Area. See page four.

Opinion

Ramblin' Sam

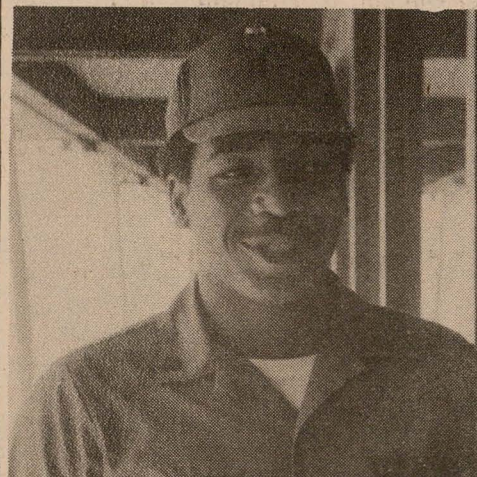
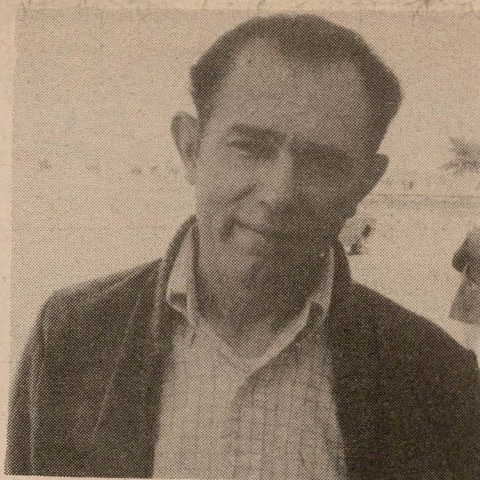
Do you feel the Post Exchange and Four Season's hours are adequate to meet the needs of everyone?

Lt. Col. Craig Heim Region Nine. "For me they are, working on post, I have no problem doing my shopping. A little planning can avoid the need to go off post after hours."



Sp4 Edna McKnight LAMC Personnel. "They could open a little earlier because you have to wait until 10 a.m. to buy anything. After work I have no trouble, 5 p.m. is fine."

Ike Penso-Retired Military. "The only problem is that they should remain open at least one night a week later for the people that can't make it during the day or Saturdays and Sundays."



Mildred J. Marin Dep. Wife. "Yes, so far they have been adequate for me and have met my needs. I have had no problems."



Sp4 Anthony Wilson-51st Eng Det. "They should remain open later, because there is not enough time after we eat chow to get back down and do our shopping. They should remain open until 7 or 7:30."

Commentary

Easy credit can be helpful or harmful

by K. Douglas Cook

"Easy Terms!"

"Instant Credit!"

"No Down With Months To Pay!"

"Your Credit is Always Good!"

Probably very few of us have not been tempted by these and other slogans. Have now and pay later is a sign of our times and a very dangerous sign indeed!

Ask any financial counselor available and you're certain to learn one fact of financial life: credit is the easiest and quickest road to complete financial devastation known to the modern consumer.

Now you're probably thinking to yourself that without credit it would be difficult if not impossible to buy a new car, own a home or have that dream vacation you've been promising yourself for ten years.

Right you are! There are times when having credit established is a positive factor. Yet, there's a world of difference between having a credit line with a bank or credit union and getting sucked into the murky world of "easy terms with no money down!"

P. T. Barnum allegedly had a saying about there being "a sucker born every minute." There are probably better ways of putting it, but there really are people and businesses out in the world just waiting for someone to bite at their easy credit bait.

The next time you see an adver-

To the editor

Utilities chief responds

The following is in response to two Letters to the Editor published in your April 9, issue concerning the disconnecting of electrically cooled drinking fountains:

Removal of the cords was done to prevent reconnection by the using agency. There are no plans to reconnect them. Future drinking fountains purchased by the Presidio will be the less expensive type found in most public type facilities.

Now, as to why they were removed and the costs involved in this effort as opposed to the cost savings achieved, your attention is brought to some pertinent facts:

There are approximately 500 electrically cooled drinking fountains at the Presidio. Each one is equivalent to a compact refrigerator. These fountains run day in and day

tisement in the newspapers or on television which offers services or products with unbelievable terms, remember that nobody gives anything away for free in the business world. Respected and legitimate business operations do check your ability to pay for the goods. Honest and above-board operations do stand behind their products and insure you get your money's worth.

If you're looking to establish a credit line, stop by a local bank or credit union. Open an account, build up some cash and borrow against that cash. After you've paid on this loan for a while, you will have a credit rating. Most importantly, take the time to talk to a loan officer and learn just what credit means.

Understand what the terms are when you purchase on credit. Ask exactly how much, in total, you'll be paying for the product or service. Get everything in writing and make sure it's signed **before** you agree to any deal. If you have any doubts, back out before it's too late!

Credit can be either extremely helpful or hurtful. The professional business will avoid conning you. On the other hand, the professional con artist, the easy credit rip-off goon, hopes you'll never read something like this!

Until laws are passed which put those slick, easy-term credit operators out of business, your best protection against being a victim is your own common sense!

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USAG troops to test on common tasks

by Jon Chelgren

USAG soldiers will once again be called upon to demonstrate their proficiency in common military tasks as they undergo Periodic Individual qualification (PIQ) testing May 6-7 in the main post parking lot.

All USAG soldiers E-5 and below will be required to complete the tests which measure individual soldiers' skills in a variety of tasks through "hands on" demonstrations of abilities.

The tests and testing standards were gleaned from Skill Qualification Tests (SQT) manuals for more than 40 military occupational specialties. A soldier will be required to only demonstrate those skills required for his or her MOS.

The tasks tested range from assembly and disassembly of the M16 to accuracy on a hand grenade range. Other skills tested include first aid, nuclear, chemical and biological war-

fare defense, and security and intelligence.

This year the tests will be scored by members of the 504th MP Battalion. This summer, USAG will be responsible for testing the 504th's personnel.

The first PIQ was held here in July and was designed to work hand in hand with the SQT program. The results of the PIQ tests allowed soldiers to see what areas they needed to study for SQT tests. The PIQ results also served as a measure of the effectiveness of directorate training sessions.

According to one training official, the response to last year's tests was so positive that the PIQ will likely become an annual requirement for Presidio soldiers.

The source claimed that the PIQ was responsible for "significant" increase in post soldiers' common task proficiency.



Sgt. Lou Reyes scores Sp4 Lee Maurer's grenade toss.

Photo by Jon Chelgren



Sgt. Nau Weisner demonstrates first aid on a dummy victim.

Photo by Jon Chelgren

Golf tourney, race to highlight fund drive

This year's Army Emergency Relief (AER) fund drive at the Presidio is set for May-June 17.

The annual event, which raises money to continue the work of the AER, features a variety of activities. Among them are an AER run on May 23 and a golf tournament scheduled for May 29.

According to Col. F. Whitney Hall, Presidio commander, the AER is one of the best ways each member of the Army can show support for fellow Army members.

"It's an American tradition to seek help from friends and neighbors in times of trouble," says Hall. "Unfortunately, some Army families have lost sight of this basic principle. The Army

Emergency Relief is in keeping with the best traditions of the Army helping itself in those times of trouble."

Money received through the upcoming fund drive is used to aid Army members who are struck by unanticipated problems. Last year's drive collected nearly \$29,000 with retired military personnel giving the bulk of the donations.

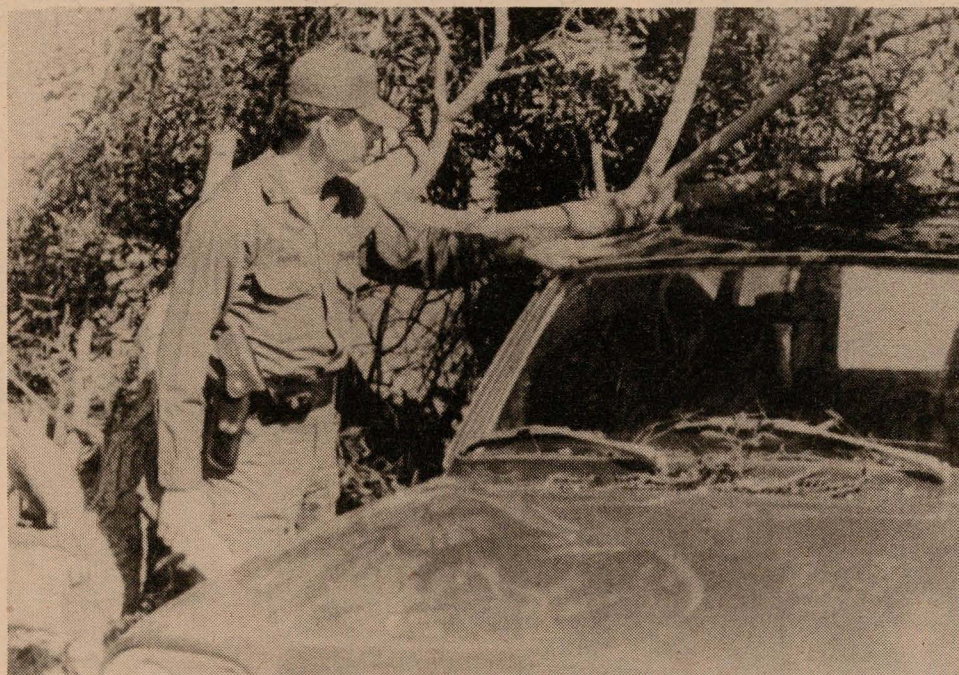
According to the officials running this year's AER drive, people who give may get something extra in return.

For example, the golf tournament held at the Presidio Golf Course will give golfers a chance to win an eight-day vacation at Dorado Beach in

Puerto Rico. The vacation includes round-trip airfare, transfer and taxes, a hotel room with ocean view, breakfasts and dinners, unlimited golf, tennis and swimming and the use of the hotel's health club. The golfer who scores a hole-in-one on the sixth hole of the course takes the prize.

The Puerto Rican vacation prize is being donated by a local business. The minimum donation to enter the golf tournament is \$5 although, according to AER officials, they will accept larger donations.

For more information about this year's fund raising event, persons should contact their unit representative or the Army Emergency Relief office at 561-5256.



Just dropped in

A post MP, Sgt. Robert Raisor inspects the damage to a vehicle that was hit by falling tree limbs April 13 behind Post Headquarters. The limbs struck a number of vehicles and caused an unknown amount of damage.

Photo by Tim Dewar

Enlisted Wives Club offering a scholarship

The Enlisted Men's Wives Club has announced the beginning of their annual Scholarship drive, according to club president, Dorothy Parker.

The Scholarship amount is five hundred dollars.

All dependents of enlisted assigned to the Presidio, its sub-posts or a dependent of club member in good standing are eligible for this award.

In the selection process, all applications will be forwarded for review by a Scholarship Board consisting of a chaplain, a Social Worker and a representative from the Education Center. The identities of the individuals will be unknown to the board. Only the information on the application will be considered.

Deadline for applying for this Scholarship is May 5. Applications may be picked up at ACS, or the post or LAMC libraries.

Applications will consist of three pages prepared by the individual to include a short essay. The judging for the scholarship will be based on sincerity, need and scholastic standing. For further information on this award, contact Anita Evans, ext. 2463.

Time change

Just a reminder that Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday morning at 2 a.m. and runs through Oct. 25.

Disaster - not if but when!

by Michael Christy

In the early morning hours of April 18, 1906 residents of the San Francisco area were shaken awake by a devastating earthquake.

For 55 seconds, the bowels of the earth opened, debris and other objects crashed to the ground from above, and structures of all sizes crumbled in. Roaring fires engulfed the city and raged for days.

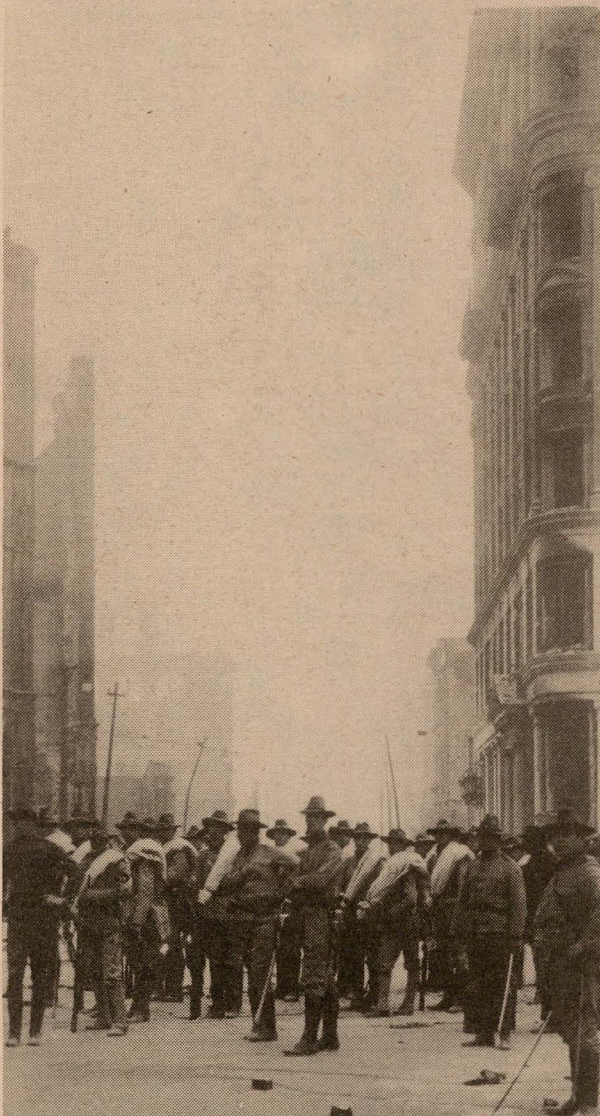
When the smoldering fires were cooled and the rubble cleared, the full impact of the terrifying experience was realized. Nearly 700 people had died, thousands were injured and tens of thousands were left homeless. Property damage was estimated at half a billion dollars. It was the worst earthquake ever to hit the United States.

Since the tragic earthquake of 1906, a greater awareness of earthquakes and other natural disasters has developed. This is especially true here in California.

A number of local, state and federal agencies, as well as private and corporate organizations, have individually and collectively gathered facts about earthquakes and have had them analyzed for similarities. Some of these organizations have conducted studies and a few have made predictions.

Junior League

One organization in the bay area which has gathered some interesting facts about earthquakes is the Junior League of San Francisco, Inc. The League's Earthquake Preparedness Task Force has compiled information they feel would impact greatly on the population once its significance is recognized. As one member of the task force says, "It's not a question of if—it's simply a question of when. Earthquakes are a way of life in California."



Infantry soldiers guard the financial district.



Ruins of the "Hayes Valley" area of San Francisco near City Hall.

'it's simple, we are going to have another major earthquake and there is very little we can do to stop it, but we can prepare for it'.

According to the League's figures, there have been five major earthquakes in California. The highest loss of life due to earthquakes in California, and the United States, was San Francisco in 1906 with 700 dead. It was estimated to have been of an 8.3 Richter magnitude, lasting nearly one minute.

The other four earthquake catastrophies to hit California were Long Beach in 1933 with 115 dead and registering 6.3 on the Richter scale; San Fernando in 1971 leaving 65 dead and registering 6.5; in 1952, 14 died in Bakersfield from a 7.7 earthquake; and 91 persons were injured in 1979 when a 6.8 earthquake hit El Centro.

The only other earthquake to hit the United States with catastrophic effect was in Alaska in 1964. For a total of four minutes the semi-frozen ground tremored to the highest registered earthquake. The 8.4 Richter magnitude quake left 115 people dead.

Many fatalities

The highest loss of life due to a natural disaster in the United States, however, was not an earthquake. The devastating hurricane and storm to hit Galveston, Texas in 1900 killed 6,000 people.

But as tragic and as catastrophic as earthquakes have been in the United States, they are

nowhere as significant as those which have occurred elsewhere in the world.

The two worst ones were in China. In 1976, in Tangshan, an unbelievable 655,000 people were killed making it the most catastrophic natural disaster on record. The 1920 earthquake in Kansu caused 180,000 deaths.

Other great earthquake catastrophies were Tokyo in 1923 with 143,000 dead; Peru in 1970 with 70,000 dead; Guatemala in 1976 with 24,000 dead; and in 1975, 5,000 were killed in Managua, Nicaragua. Two major earthquakes in 1980 occurred in Italy and Algeria. Over 3,000 people were killed in each.

According to most information sources, the major cause of death and injury is not the earthquake itself. Falling objects and debris, panic, and fire are the real killers.

Total devastation

A witness to the aftermath of three major earthquakes says the whole earthquake experience produces death. SSgt William Craig of the Presidio Public Affairs Office, was in Guatemala a few days after the earthquake struck in 1976 and arrived several months following Nicaragua's earthquake in 1975. He also saw first hand, the devastation caused by the 1970 earthquake in Peru.

"I was in Guatemala City shortly after the 1976 earthquake," Craig says. "At one point a short distance north from the city, we passed a very large hole in the ground. I was told an entire village had been swallowed up with few survivors."

According to Craig, in both Guatemala and Nicaragua, the scene was total devastation. He says, "All that remained of huge buildings was rubble. Some had been tall, modern structures a few days before and just like that, they were reduced to shells of mangled steel."

"Many of those killed lived in adobe-type houses," he explains and with a snap of his finger, adds, "Their houses simply disintegrated on top of them."

In Peru, Craig says, the greatest amount of deaths were caused by "the rushing water and mud from high in the mountains which caused flooding and massive avalanches. Thousands of people were buried alive under tons and tons of mud."

Craig feels the worst scenes he saw were the huge numbers of displaced persons. "They roamed the streets, seemingly with no place to go and with no hope for the future," he says. In a voice under-



A Spanish-type structure destroyed last year near Los Angeles.



Downtown Market Street fire rages Wednesday, April 18, 1906.

standably affected by his recollection, he adds, "Seeing the thousands of dirty hungry children was the most heart-breaking of all."

A number of the recent earthquakes were predicted by geologists. They made their predictions based on studies of the inner-earth's movement and what appears to be a historical connection to previous earthquakes.

For instance, geologists can demonstrate at least eight major earthquakes here in California over the past 1,200 years. They say the average spacing of time is approximately every 140 years.

Add this information to the inner-earth's movement, along with other probability factors, and geologists are in the prediction business.

According to the studies of most recognized geologists, the probability of an 8.3 Richter magnitude earthquake hitting San Francisco this year is one percent. They feel the likelihood of a major earthquake occurring here in the next 20 to 30 years is moderate. Their estimates are for both the northern San Andreas and Hayward fault systems.

Area probabilities

Geologists are more certain of major earthquake activity further south in California. They feel the probability of a major earthquake along the southern San Andreas fault, in Los Angeles and San Bernadino, is two to five percent. Its occurring in the next thirty years is greater than 50 percent.

The estimated casualties of a major earthquake varies with the location of the fault system and time of occurrence. For instance, a major earthquake in San Francisco along the northern San

Andreas in the early morning would kill about 3,000 people and injure another 12,000. If it was to occur during the afternoon, when most people were out working or shopping, 10,000 would probably die and another 44,000 would require hospitalization, according to a Junior League fact sheet.

For the southern San Andreas fault, the figures are slightly higher and the report indicates that casualties would be slightly lower for the Hayward fault system.

Preparedness

Preparing Californians for the next major earthquake is the main goal of the Earthquake Preparedness Task Force of the Junior League of San Francisco, Inc. This group, in conjunction with the disaster services of the Golden Gate Chapter of the Red Cross, has spent the last nine months preparing a brief audio-visual slide show on personal preparedness.

Together, the Junior League and Red Cross have established a speaker's bureau and developed an educational format to present the slide show as a neighborhood and community service.

The purpose of the project is public education with regard to earthquake preparedness. "The need?" asks one of the Junior League's directors, "It's simple. We are going to have another major earthquake and there is very little we can do to stop it, but we can prepare for it."

For further information on earthquake preparedness or if your group is interested in seeing the Junior League's slide show, "You can't say no to an earthquake," contact the Red Cross Disaster Service by telephoning 776-1500, Ext 211.



Destruction at the Olive View County Hospital near Los Angeles last February 9.

Photos provided by the U. S. Army Museum and the Federal Emergency Management Administration.

Time to spare



Photo by Jon Chelgren

Sarah Irvin and father Rich performed in Alice and Wonderland for the children.

Alice in Wonderland performed at LAMC

by Jon Chelgren

Children confined to Letterman's pediatrics ward over Easter were treated to a special performance of scenes from "Alice in Wonderland" thanks to a local reservist.

SFC Rich Irwin, a reserve social worker with the 6253 General Hospital, orchestrated the performance for the children which included a picture-taking session with the actors and kids afterwards. The photos were then given to the children as mementos.

According to Sp5 Reggie Humdy of Letterman's Social Work Services office, the performance was well

received "by all the kids and some of the adults as well." Humdy says that the children were still excited about it the following day when he made his rounds of the ward.

Humdy says that Irwin, a local professional actor, approached him with the idea of staging the performance shortly before Easter. As a reservist, Irwin spends his two weeks of annual training working at Letterman and spends his weekend drill time there also.

In addition to the Alice in Wonderland scenes, the children were given Easter eggs which had been decorated by preschool children from the posts SHARE child care center.

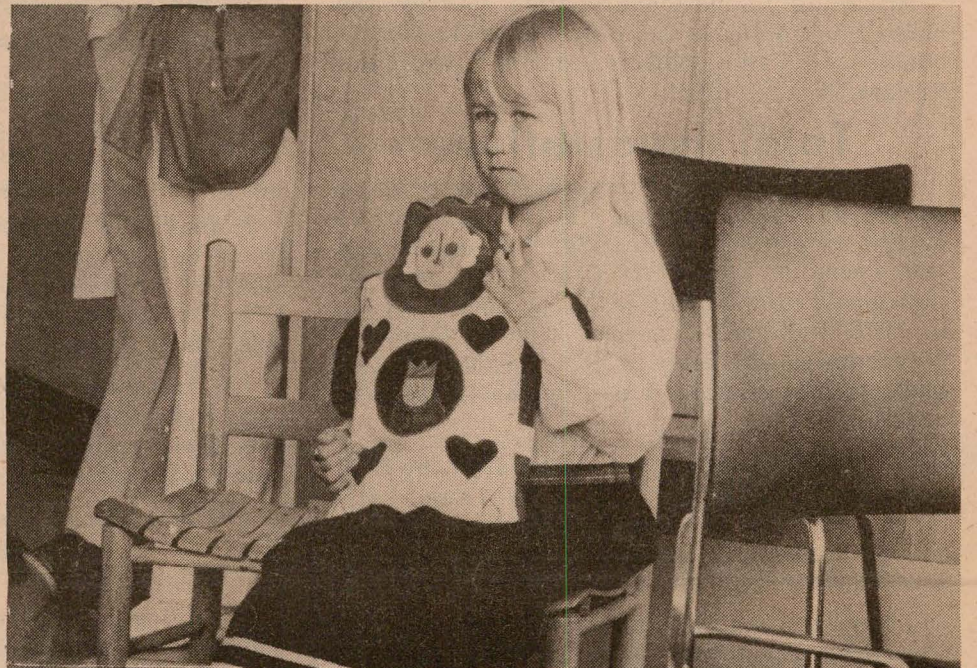


Photo by Jon Chelgren

Tina Roberts of Beal Air Force Base, Ca., watches during the performance of Alice in Wonderland.

DA civilians may now rent camp equipment

Attention DA Civilians assigned to the Presidio. You are now authorized to rent recreation equipment on a first come first serve basis, Monday thru Thursday. Hours for DAC's on Friday will be from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., for weekend check out. You must have in your possession your latest pay slip plus drivers license, or a picture ID card.

More than 150 students, faculty, staff and administrators at San Francisco State University will perform the **University's annual spring operas**.

A double-bill of Puccini operas, "Suor Angelica" and "Gianni Schicchi," are slated for May 1, 2 and 9 at 8 p.m., and May 10 at 2 p.m. in the McKenna Theater.

Tickets, \$4.50 and \$3.50 and half price for students, senior citizens and SFSU faculty and Alumni Association members, are available at the Creative Arts box office.

The box office is open from noon to 4 p.m. weekdays and can be contacted at (415) 469-2467.

Golden Bough, a popular San Francisco quartet will perform at the Presidio Recreation Center Monday at 8:30 p.m. Admission is \$1 and includes refreshments.

A new four week class in **cake decorating** will begin May 6 at 7:30 p.m. at the Recreation Center. Price

is \$15 for 4 weeks and a minimum of 8 people are necessary to hold the class so preregistration is encouraged.

Astrology night at the Recreation Center will be Wednesday at 7 p.m. Individualized computer horoscopes will be made for \$1 providing all the computers are working.

Great America tour sponsored by the Recreation Center will be held May 16 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The \$10 fee covers entrance ticket plus transportation by commercial motor-coach to and from Great America.

The Recreation Center is also sponsoring a **Russian River canoe trip** July 18. The \$15 includes the cost of bus transportation to and from the Recreation Center, canoe, paddles, lifejackets, wine-tasting tour to the Italian Swiss Colony Winery and chicken barbeque dinner. Sign-up is required before July 1.

Discount tickets for Great America, Marine World, Giants, and A's as well as Disneyland "Salutes the Military" tickets, Reno hospitality packs, Diners out books and Lion Country Safari tickets are available at the Recreation Center.

The Josephine D. Randall Junior Museum will hold **registration for the second spring session of classes** Saturday, April 25, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

A great variety of classes for ages preschool through adult will be offered in the Sciences, Arts and Crafts, and Industrial Arts.

Of special interest for boys and girls are classes in Computers, Raku Firing and Woodshop.

Nominal fees will be charged for all classes. For more information, call 863-1399.

Free guided walking tours of San Francisco's Golden Gate Park will once again be offered every weekend beginning in May and continuing through October. The tours, given by the Friends of Recreation and Parks, explore the history, plant life and contemporary concerns of this 1000 acre urban oasis.

A new addition to the touring schedule this season is the Japanese Tea Garden tour, offered on both Saturday and Sunday. The tour,

which departs from the main gate of the garden, lasts approximately one hour. Each of the other three tours offered by Park Guides lasts approximately two hours.

Outdoor Recreation offers **two fully furnished houses** on South Shore, Lake Tahoe. Close to the lake for water skiing, swimming, picnicking, etc., and better yet, close to the big time shows and casinos. Also, on North Shore, Lake Tahoe, is a four bedroom fully furnished condominium. Less than one mile from the lake, with launching, sauna, swimming pool, tennis, and volleyball privileges. Make your reservation today. For additional information call Outdoor Recreation, 561-4324/4356 or come by Bldg. 92.

at the movies

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First Family (R) 7 p.m.
The Prisoner of Zenda (PG) 7 p.m.
Ordinary People (R) 7 p.m.
The Mountain Men (R) 7 p.m.

Sports

PSF Strikers lose close one to Saboteurs

The Presidio 7-8 year old DYA Soccer team, the Strikers, lost a close game, 1-0, to the Saboteurs, Saturday.

The primarily defensive game played in the rain leaves the Strikers with an 0-2 record on the season.

The Strikers play Saturday at 9:30 on the PX Field behind the Presidio Playhouse next to the post library.



Photo by Tim Dewar

Commanders golf set for May 20-21

The Morale Support Activities 1981 Commander's Spring Golf Tournament will be conducted at the Presidio Army Golf Course May 20-21. First tee off time is 8 a.m.

The Callaway system will be used for scoring for persons who do not have an established handicap at the Presidio Army Golf Course.

Active duty personnel assigned or attached to the Presidio are eligible to participate in the Senior and Open Divisions. Senior Division is 40 years of age and over, and the Open Division is 39 years of age and under.

Appropriate awards will be presented to the two low gross and low net scores in each division; however, an individual can only win one award. Low gross score will be awarded first.

Clubs may be rented at the MSA Outdoor Recreation Branch, Bldg. 92, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Units and individuals desiring to enter this tournament should contact the Sports branch to pick up a roster. The rosters must be returned before May 15.

Jobs available

Paid positions are available in the DYA Summer Programs for individuals with experience instructing youngsters in swimming and archery. Swim instructors must have current Water Safety Instructor Certificate. For more information, contact the DYA Director at ext. 5143.

volleyball

LAMC has captured first place in the Intramural Volleyball League with an 11-1 record. Second place is still undecided with the 504th MP Bn, LAIR and the Golden Gate Reserve Center in contention.

Playoffs start this week with seven teams entering the tournament—LAMC, GGRC, LAIR, PHS, 504th MP BN, USAG and OARB.

Exercise class

A beginners and an intermediate exercise class for men and women will be offered at the Post Gym No. 2 on Tuesdays and Thursdays begin-

ning May 12 and continuing for four weeks. Cost will be \$20 for the eight lessons. Times for beginners will be 4:30-5:30 p.m. and the intermediate class will be 5:30-6:30 p.m. For more information contact Robert Darling at ext. 4120.

Umps wanted

Personnel interested in officiating softball games during the coming season are urged to attend an official rules interpretation meeting next Thursday at post gym no. 1 starting at 5 p.m. For more information contact Bobbie Gascon at ext. 4120.

Baseball

Boys and girls, ages 7 thru 14 yrs, can still sign-up for baseball. Contact Karl Gaffney, DYA Sports Commissioner, at ext 2070.

Golf results

6th ARMY 2 (2) vs. LAIR 1 (1)
6th ARMY 1 (9) vs. 504th MP BN (0)
OARB (6½) vs. USAG (2½)
ARR IX (9) vs. LAIR 2 (0)

6th ARMY 2 (2) — LAIR 1 (1)
6th ARMY 1 (9) — 504th MP BN (0)
OARB (6½) — USAG (2½)
ARR IX (9) — LAIR 2 (0)

Low net scores for the week were turned in by Richard Blake of Sixth Army No. 1 with a 63 and Roko Smiljanic of LAIR No. 1 with a 65.

Standings

Current standings are as follows:

Team	For	Against
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6th ARMY 1	21	6	3
ARR IX	31	14	5
6th ARMY 2	20½	15½	4
LAIR 1	19½	16½	4
USAG	14	22	4
OARB	8½	9½	2
LAIR 2	7½	28½	4
504th MP BN	4	14	2

Swim results

With only a small number of team swimmers participating, the Aquarius Swim Team held their own at the Petaluma Swim Meet, Saturday and Sunday.

In the 10 and under division, Lisa

Bell placed second in the 50 yard freestyle, fourth in the 100 yard individual medley and fifth in the 50 yard butterfly.

Swimming for the first time in the 11 and 12 year-old division, Nelson Evans took fifth in the 50 yard breaststroke, sixth in the 50 yard free style, seventh in the 50 yard but-

terfly and eighth in both the 100 yard free style and 100 yard individual medley.

Sean Mask brought home three ribbons in the 13-14 year old category with a fourth place finish in the 100 yard breaststroke, fifth in the 200 yard individual medley and fifth in the 100 yard backstroke.



Mac Roberts gets in some practice.

Photo by Jon Chelgren

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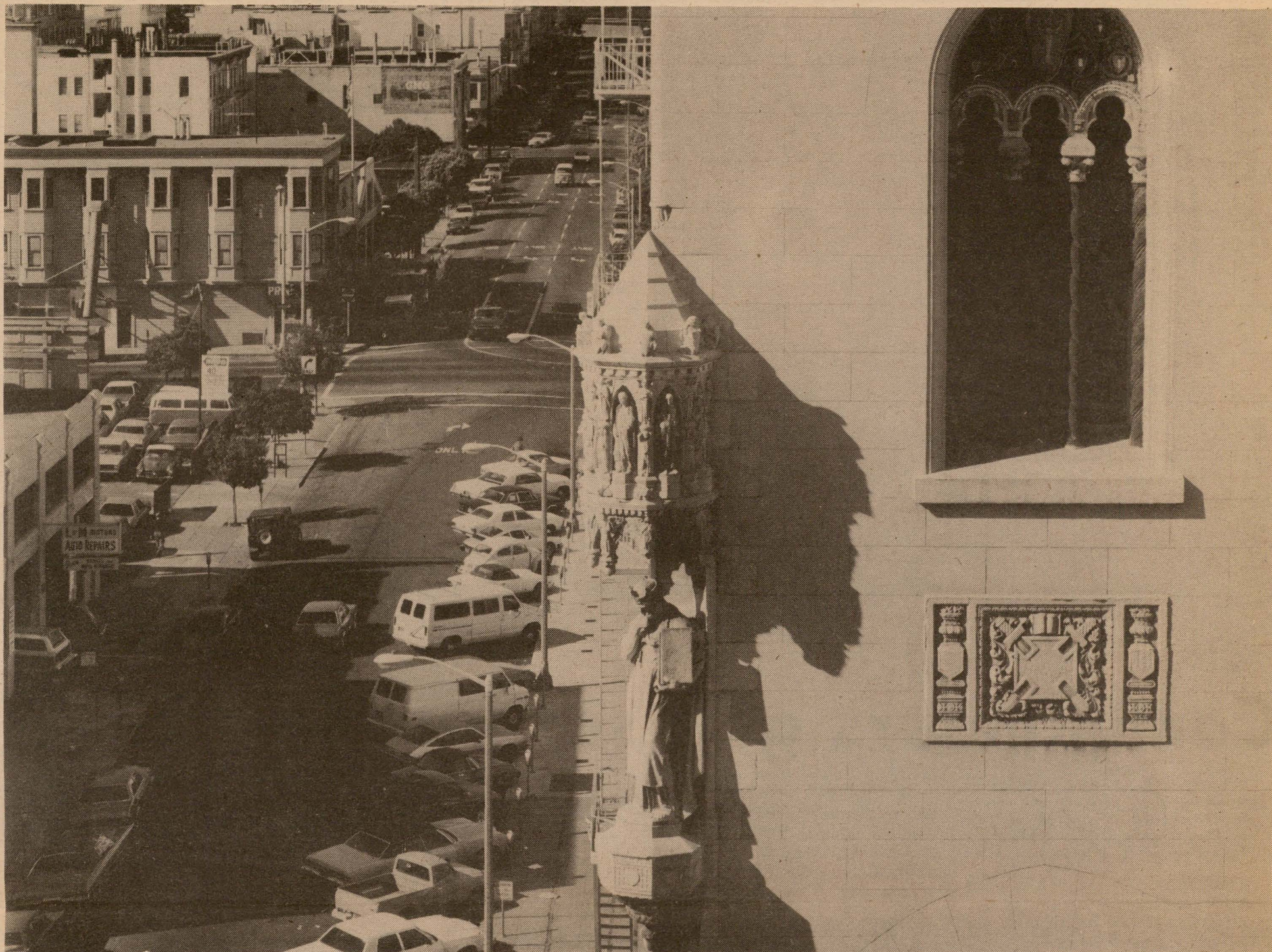


Photo of the week

R. Scott Dewell took top honors for the second time in three weeks with this study of a street in San Francisco. This and other weekly winners will go on to

compete for our quarterly award. If you have a photo you would like to enter, bring it to Room 216, Bldg. 37

Bake sale

The NCO wives club will be having a bake sale at Letterman Hospital on Friday the 24th on the first floor starting at 7:30 a.m.

The club would also like to thank Max Factor Cosmetics for their time that was spent toward the Spring Fashion Show.

Gold bar run

A 10-kilometer "Gold Bar Run" will be held Sunday at Golden Gate Park beginning at 8:30 a.m. sponsored by the University of San Francisco ROTC department, the race begins and ends at the conservatory in the park. The entry fee is \$2.

Immediately after the race, the ROTC Department will host an open house of their facilities at Loyola Hall on the USF campus on the corner of Turk and Stanyan Streets. Refreshments will be served. Changing facilities for the race will be available at Loyola Hall.

For entry blanks or further information, contact the USF Department of Military Science at 666-6405/6406.

Military ball

Navy, Army, Air Force, Marine Corps and Coast Guard personnel and civilian friends of the armed services are invited to attend the Combined Armed Forces Ball hosted by the Navy at Treasure Island on May 16.

The evening begins with a cocktail hour at 7 p.m., followed by a buffet dinner and entertainment. Dinner

will conclude with the cutting of a 10-foot Armed Forces Week cake. Dance music will be provided by two live bands—the Navy Band of San Francisco and the Sixth Army Band from the Presidio.

The event is open to all military officers and enlisted E-6 and above, both active and reserve, and to civilian friends of the Armed Forces. Dress is military dinner dress or civilian black tie. Tickets are \$16.50 per person and \$33 per couple. Tables of ten may be reserved for 10 or more people. Attendance is limited to the first 800 reservations.

For information or reservations, contact Jerry Armosino at the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce 392-4511.

Maj. Gen. Lawson guest speaker

Maj Gen. Frederick W. Lawson, Commander 91st Infantry Division, will be the speaker at the joint meeting of Reserve Officers Association (ROA) chapters 6 and 91 at the Presidio Officers Club on Thursday, May 7.

Officers of all military services, active, reserve and retired are welcome to attend.

Hospitality hour begins at 6:30 p.m. and dinner is at 7:30.

For reservations, \$9 per person, make check payable to "R. O.A." and send to Col. Angus Loop, 6401 Melville Drive, Oakland, 94611.

YMCA benefit

A benefit for the Theatre at Central YMCA, 220 Golden Gate Avenue, S.F., will be given on Thursday, May 7. Proceeds will go towards the renovation of the Theatre.

This centrally located facility has been chosen to spearhead the regeneration of the inner-city and provide an arts center available to the community.

The evening will include dinner, prepared and served by the Culinary Academy of S.F., a full program of entertainment featuring Ruth Hastings and many other Bay Area performing arts groups.

It will be a carnival night—with magicians, mimes, jugglers, and many other acts. The fundraising project has gained support from several community arts and civic groups.

For ticket information call Caroline Morrison at the YMCA, 885-0460.

Secretary class

Classes in secretarial skills will be offered from April 28 to June 12 at the Army Education Center, Bldg. 1216, Fort Scott. The following classes are offered: Military Correspondence, 7:30-8:30, Shorthand I, 8:30-9:30, and Typing I and II from 9:30-11:30.

These classes are offered Tuesday through Friday. They are free of charge, and are open to military, civilian and dependents. For more information or to enroll, please call ext 2974/4445.

New sweater

Washington (ARNEWS)—A new black pullover sweater will be available at Army and Air Force Exchange Stores (AAFES) later this year, announced Department of the Army (DA) officials. The optional-wear item will come in sizes for both men and women and cost about \$28.

The "wooly-pulley" type v-neck is 100 percent wool and is washable. It is similar to those now worn by members of the Marine Corps, but is two inches shorter. The sweater has black cloth on the elbows and shoulders, plus a black patch on the right chest for pinning on the name plate and distinctive unit insignia. The v-neck allows it to be worn with or without a tie.

Officials say the new sweater may be worn as an outer garment when the green shirt is worn.

SQT results

Word has been received that all SQT results which have been graded since March 9 are incorrect due to a computer problem.

1st Lt. Greg Martin, Presidio Training Standards officer announced on Tuesday that the scores of all soldiers, regardless of MOS or skill level, were affected.

Martin added that the problem has been resolved and corrected results will be issued.

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Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger and Korean Defense Minister Choo Young Bock inspect Presidio troops with Capt. Douglas Ulrich, HHD, 504th MP BN.

US, Korean defense talks begin

Secretary of Defense, Caspar W. Weinberger and senior defense officials welcomed the Republic of Korea's (ROK) National Defense Minister, Choo Young Bock and top Korean defense officials to the 13th annual US ROK Security Consultative Meeting (SCM) in ceremonies at Sixth US Army Headquarters Tuesday afternoon.

A large crowd of Presidio residents and employees watched as the ceremony officially opened the talks, which officials of both countries say will lay the groundwork for continued close cooperation in the security area.

Also in attendance were the Chairmen of the Joint Chiefs of Staff of both countries: Gen. Lew Byong Hion of Korea and Gen. David C. Jones of the U. S.

In his opening remarks, Choo referred to the session as, "a befitting occasion to reaffirm the close relationship and strong bonds of alliance between our two countries."

He added that he was expecting the meetings to produce a frank exchange of views in matters relating to the security of Korea which he termed the frontier of our mutual security camp. (See full text on page four).

Earlier Weinberger had reflected similar expectations in a speech to the Commonwealth Club and World Affairs Council in San Francisco.

He said, "Tomorrow we begin two full days of consultation with the Minister of National Defense of one of our long-time Asian allies, the Republic of Korea—an ally of enormous strategic importance to the United States and indeed to the Free World and an ally whose freedom and peace we are dedicated to help maintain. This commitment was restated in clear and unmistakable language as President Reagan met with President Chun Doo Hwan in January of this year.

"We are prepared to help defend our friends and our allies, and to deter aggression, and we are determined to be a reliable and a strong ally. An important corollary to that is the expectation that we have that our allies and friends in Asia and elsewhere will participate in meeting our common security interests."

The 12th SCM was held in Seoul, Korea, on October 18 and 19, 1979, and reviewed the security situation in Asia and the Pacific with particular emphasis on the Korean Peninsula.

The meetings are designed to encourage an informal exchange of views and to permit the Secretary and Minister and senior officials concerned with security in both the ROK and US to become better acquainted.

A wide range of issues, including the regional security situation, the threat to the ROK, force moderniza-

tion programs, security assistance, logistics, technology transfer, and activities of the ROK-US Combined Forces Command were to be examined.

Prior to this year's SCM, the ROK-US Military Committee met at the Presidio on Tuesday. This meeting, the third plenary session since the committee was formed in 1978, was

co-chaired by the respective chairmen of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, General Lew Byong Hion and General David C. Jones, USAF. The Military Committee Meeting (MCM) is the executive body which provides policy guidance to the ROK-US Combined Forces Command.

The SCM is scheduled to close today with a joint press conference.



Photo by D. Jackson

ANZAC commemorated

William S. Cathro leads the Australian and New Zealand colors during the ceremony which was held on Sunday at the Presidio National Cemetery to honor veterans of the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps (ANZAC). The corps was formed during World War I. ANZAC day has been celebrated each year on April 25.

Opinion

Law Day: A rededication to ideals of equality and justice

Law Day U. S. A. is set aside on May first each year by joint resolution of Congress and Presidential proclamation as a "special day of celebration by the American people in appreciation of their liberties", and as "an occasion for rededication to the ideals of equality and justice under the law."

Colonel Hall, Commander of the Presidio of San Francisco, has proclaimed Friday, May 1, 1981, as Law Day U. S. A. in order to urge all members of our military community to observe this day.

This year's theme is "Law—The Language of Liberty". Since its founding, our nation has served as a bastion of liberty for its residents and as an example to the rest of the world. Americans cherish their personal freedoms perhaps more than any other attribute of American life.

These freedoms, and the concepts underlying them, are found in our "Charters of Freedom"—the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution of the United States, and the Bill of Rights—and are effectuated through laws and courts.

Just what are these liberties? Stated generally, they are the right to "Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness". They are more specifically enumerated in the Bill of Rights to be freedom of speech, freedom of assembly, freedom of religion, freedom of the press, due process of law, freedom from unreasonable government intrusion in our private affairs, the right to a fair trial, and many more.

There are few countries in the world that give their citizens all the rights that we Americans enjoy. Most of us do not seem to realize this. Evidence shows that we take our freedom and

security for granted, or that we fail to understand it.

In January of last year, the Gallup Organization conducted a poll for the First Amendment Congress, a group of media organizations concerned with press freedom. The survey showed that seventy-eight percent of adult Americans do not know that it is the First Amendment to the Constitution that guarantees our right to speak and write freely. Seventy-five percent of these adults are between the ages of 18 and 30 and sixty percent of them have a college background.

A recently Gallup Youth/Associated Press survey found that six in ten teenagers could not name the Bill of Rights as the document that guarantees the right to a free press in this country. These figures lead to two obvious conclusions: many of us do not learn our basic constitutional rights and the mechanism of our political process while we are in school, and we do not educate ourselves about our government after we leave school.

Liberty is hard to acquire or retain, but easy to lose. It certainly is not free. Our liberty was won for us by the untiring efforts of untold numbers of men and women, many of them in military service. As the Preamble to our Constitution states, the most solemn obligation resting upon us is to preserve freedom for ourselves and our descendants.

The occurrence of Law Day 1981 offers us an excellent opportunity to consider the many freedoms we possess and to dedicate ourselves to the preservation of those freedoms for those who will follow us.

Commanders Proclamation

Whereas, May 1, 1981 is Law Day USA, and:

Whereas, the United States of America has been the citadel of individual liberty and a beacon of hope and opportunity for two hundred years to many millions who have sought our shores, and:

Whereas, the wellspring of individual freedom and liberty is the body of law which governs us, and:

Whereas, the Constitution of the United States of America and the Bill of Rights are the heart of that body of law which guarantees us many freedoms—including Freedom of Religious Belief, Freedom to Have and Hold Property Inviolable, Freedom of Assembly, Freedom of Speech, Freedom of the Press, Freedom of Petition, and Due Process of Law, among others, and:

Whereas, this year marks the twenty fourth annual nationwide observance of Law Day, and the President by official proclamation, has set aside May 1 as a special day for recognition of the place of law in American life:

Now, therefore, I, Colonel F. Whitney Hall, Jr., Commander, Presidio of San Francisco, do hereby proclaim Friday, May 1, 1981, as the day on which the personnel of the Presidio will observe Law Day USA, and urge all members of our military community to: (1) Observe Law Day with appropriate recognition; (2) Rededicate themselves to the principles of Liberty and Democracy; and (3) Renew their respect for law that is so vital to our personal liberty and the democratic way of life.

Action Line

Longer px hours

An Action Line query was received from an active-duty resident of the post. He asks why the four seasons store does not remain open after the main exchange and commissary have closed.

He complained that it was rather unfair that those military personnel who work long hours are forced to go off post to buy convenience items.

For an answer we went to the Presidio Exchange Council Meeting Tuesday.

Mr. H.C. Smart, Chief, Personnel Services Division, and Council Chairman gave us the following reply:

"Constant personnel changes make

it hard to have a set of hours convenient to everyone, and needs change very often," according to Smart.

"Back in 1978," Smart continues, "The Four Seasons store remained open until 7 p.m. Management conducted a survey and because of the low nighttime utilization, we found the demand was more valid for an early morning opening."

There is a lot to consider," he says, "If we increase hours, we must also increase profit to pay for the additional costs."

We will not make any drastic changes that will affect the profit going to Washington, Smart explains, "But we are always trying to find the best hours for the active duty members!!"

Too much cold air

I read an article in the Star Presidian about energy conservation. They have cut the plugs on our water fountains in this building too. However, I have heard it cost over \$10,000 to install a new air conditioning system in the basement of the Finance and Accounting Office where I work.

There is a computer here, but this basement only gets warm in the afternoons. Plus, the computer's been here much longer than the air conditioner. When we arrive for work in the morning, this office is very cold. The air conditioner is also very noisy which makes it difficult to work.

Although it doesn't get warm until the afternoon, we have been told to leave this air conditioning system on 24-hours per day! If we are so concerned about energy conservation,

why can't a thermostat or other regulation device be installed so that the air conditioner will operate only when needed? I feel we are wasting energy and money.

Name withheld by request.

We called utilities chief, Ed Crane about your problem. He told us that the system was requested by the Comptroller and that it is supposed to maintain an average temperature at all times.

He noted that the work was done under contract and if the unit is not working properly, the contractor should repair it. Crane added that his office had not been informed that there had been a problem with the system.

He assured us that if the air conditioning system is not working properly, steps would be taken to see that it is repaired, but it must be reported.

Civilians make the Army go

Few people realize how dependent our armed services are upon the civilian men and women who keep the records, maintain the facilities, move the supplies and perform the most intricate maintenance on our increasingly sophisticated arsenal of weapons.

If all those civilians were to disappear one day we would have to increase the number of people in uniform by at least 50 percent and would still not achieve the kind of efficiency contributed by a career civilian work force.

Over the past five years the Army has watched its civilian force shrink by about 65,000 as budget-cutters in the Department of Defense and at the White House have opted to take the instant cost savings provided by a personnel cut rather than pay the full price of military readiness.

At Army bases all across the United States, the shortage of civilian employees has forced commanders to divert soldiers from military training to perform inescapable

housekeeping functions. Army-wide, those diversions amount to something between 25,000 and 28,000 soldiers each day or a cumulative total of about 16,000 man-years. This latter figure, of course, amounts to

the total effort of a complete combat division for an entire year. The falseness of this economy is all the more obvious when one recognizes that it is far more expensive to use soldiers

in support tasks than it is to employ civilians. We not only pay a price in weakened military training but also wind up paying more for the use of the soldiers because they must be fed and housed as well as paid.

The Army has made a strong plea to the new Secretary of Defense for permission to increase its civilian strength by 10,000 per year for the next three years. The secretary has seemed receptive but there is still a big hurdle ahead in the form of the White House budgeteers. Hopefully, they will see the sound logic in this departure from the recent past. (AUSA)

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Soldier of the Month

Photo by Tim Dewar

PFC Timothy R. Rodgers, Presidio's Soldier of the Month for April, checks the log book he keeps for all training that takes place at the gas chamber where he works. Rodgers, a 25-year-old native of Saratoga, Washington, likes to collect rifles and write. Evaluating soldiers who train at the gas chamber is one of his jobs, and he adds, "I love it." His last duty station was Fort McClellan, Alabama, where he received his NBC training.

Military discount on car rental rates

The Military Traffic Management Command (MTMC) has arranged new special and discounted car rental rates for military personnel, effective March 1, 1981 for official or personal use. These rates augment the General Services Administration (GSA) and GSA Contract programs and should be compared to those sources before a reservation is arranged.

The car rental rates offered to DoD travelers vary from one company to another. MTMC officials urge travelers to shop around when renting cars since even with a 50 percent discount some rates will normally be higher than GSA Motor Pool and GSA Contract programs.

When using these rates, the customer pays for the gasoline used and the car must be returned to the rent location. Avis and National offer a 50 percent discount and Hertz a 40 percent discount from regular time and mileage rates on one-way rentals.

Government travel orders, DoD ID cards, or car rental company ID cards will be accepted as proof of eligibility for special rates. When performing official travel and cash payment is made, travel orders will be accepted in lieu of cash deposit. When rental is for personal reasons, use of a credit card will help in arranging the rental, otherwise a substantial cash deposit and other identification may be required.

The quoted rates are available from one or more of the companies concerned at most airport locations, and at many in-town locations, within the continental United States.

Rental cars selected for official travel must be those which permit satisfactory accomplishment of the mission at the lowest cost to the government. Billing problems or complaints should first be brought to the attention of the manager of the renting location or the company representative listed above.

300 post workers to get new benefits

For the some 300 Non-Appropriated Fund (NAF) employees on the Presidio, recent changes in the available benefit package is adding a definite plus to their careers.

Changes to the medical, life and retirement insurance benefits now apply to all Army NAF employees except those in the Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES). These improvements just recently went into effect and apply to regular NAF employees who work 20 hours per week or more.

Among the revised benefit package are such features as changes to the medical plan increasing the high-option single and dependent maximum medical coverage to 1-million dollars. The maximum

lifetime benefit coverage for low-option single and dependent is raised to \$100,000.

Other medical benefit changes include full payment for all prescriptions when generic drugs are used, payment for second opinion on surgery and, beginning in May, a dental option which will be available to all NAF employees participating in the medical insurance plan. Stateside employees may call (800) 343-7264 for more information about the dental plan.

The life insurance plan available to NAF employees also underwent revision, dropping the premiums about 20 percent with no decrease in the amount of life insurance coverage. Under the modified insurance plan, benefits will be paid for death by suicide.

Retirement benefits for NAF employees also underwent modification this month. The improvements include cost-of-living increases for retirees, reduced contributions by employees and better disability benefits.

Both the medical and life insurance plans are optional for NAF employees. Changes in coverage may be made beginning in May. In August, employees affected will be receiving a booklet explaining the revised medical and life insurance plan.

Information on these improvements may also be gained by contacting the NAF Branch of the Civilian Personnel Office in Bldg. 37.

Six Presidio cub scouts receive Arrow of Light

Six cub scouts, advancing to Boy Scouts were awarded the highest rank in cub scouting here Friday.

The former cub scouts from pack 77 received the Arrow of Light Award, Cub Scouts highest award.

Scott Langley, Brian Dixon, Kevin Gross, Kevin Blake, Nelson Evans and Billy Bukowski, now Boy Scouts in Troop 77 received the award which is presented for doing a good deed every day, after the completion of various awards. It is signified by the 7 rays of light shining from the arrow as a reminder to do good seven days a week.

This year's ceremony was significant because six scouts were promoted

which is higher than previous years, according to a scout official.

The ceremony which took place in the packs clubhouse also featured toy raffle for the scouts and a song provided by one of the Dens.

Helping the new Boy Scouts pin their scarfs on were Dirk McCall and Eric Svendsen both from Troop 77 and former members of Pack 77.

Webelos Leader, Lt. Col. Dennis Langley, added that anyone interested in being either scouts or Den Parents should contact Bob Shulman, cub master or come to their next meeting at the San Francisco National Cemetery, May 23 at 9 a.m.

Blood drive set for May

The All Presidio Blood Drive for the second quarter will be held on May 29 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the NCO Club and from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Bldg. 127.

In a recent message to Presidio units and tenant activities, Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., post commander, complemented all who took part in the first quarter blood drive.

"I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for your support during the First Quarterly Blood Drive. Through your efforts 433 units of blood were donated by the Presidio community." Hall added that, "Donations of life giving blood are one way

that we can serve our community and ourselves at the same time."

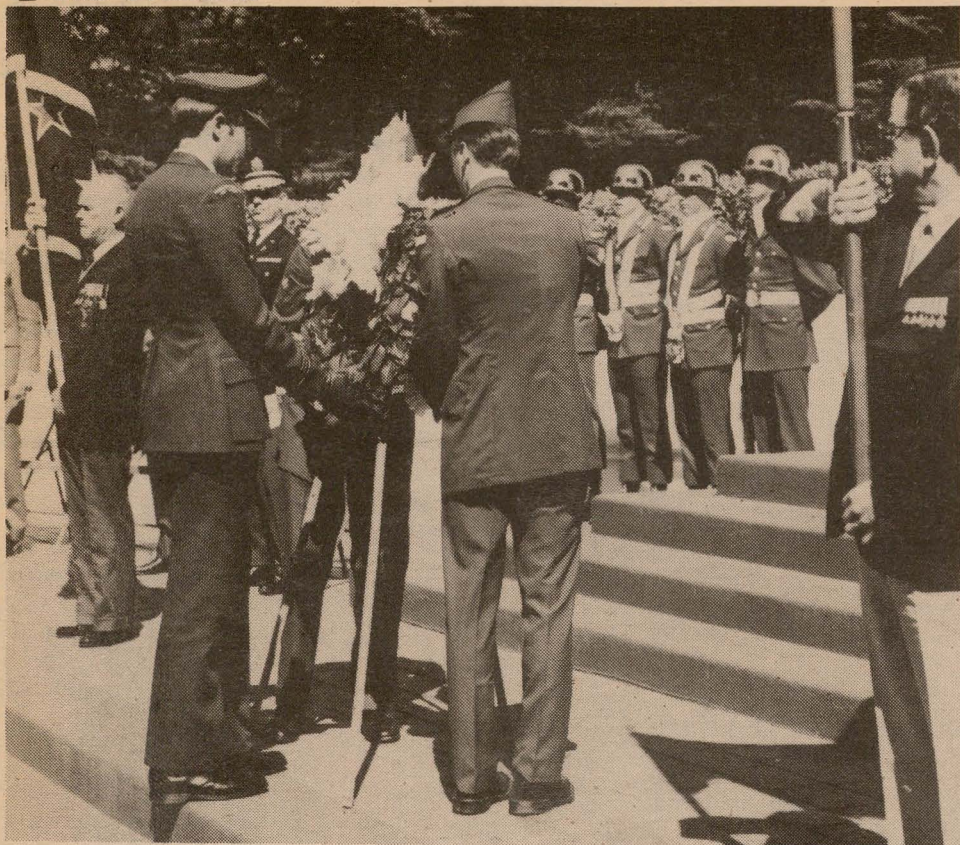
A coordination meeting for the second quarter drive will be held next Friday at 2 p.m. in the Audiovisual Room in Bldg. 603. Attendees will include directors, chiefs of staff offices, unit commanders or their representatives.

Hall will present awards to First quarter participants at that time. Also scheduled is a presentation by Jan Hoffman of the Irwin Memorial Blood Bank. All Blood donations collected on the Presidio go to Irwin Memorial.



Photo by Tim Dewar

Cub Master Rob Shulman and Scout Ernie Boatner cook breakfast.



ANZAC Day

Photo by D. Jackson

Squadron Leader Darrell Simpson of New Zealand's Royal Air Force places the wreath during the ceremony at the post's National Cemetery on Sunday. Assisting is Pvt. 2 Tim Dewar, Headquarters Company, US Army Garrison.

Red Cross needs forty for Bay to Breakers race

This year's Bay to Breakers Race, sponsored by the San Francisco Examiner is being billed as the world's largest sporting event ever. It will be held on May 17.

As of Friday, more than 25,300 applications had been received. It was expected that many more would flow in during the first part of the week.

This year the race is dedicated to the American Red Cross to honor their Centennial Anniversary. The Presidio has been tasked with organizing and operating the two water stations along the runners' route.

Capt. Sheila J. Dominguez, Red Cross Centennial action officer for the Presidio is looking for 40 volunteers to set up and man the water sta-

tions. "We need volunteers to go to Golden Gate Park at 6:30 a.m. to set up tables, fill cups, stack water bottles, and keep the stations going as the runners pass by," says Dominguez.

She adds that transportation to and from the race will be provided and everyone will be back at the Presidio by 2 p.m. According to Dominguez, each volunteer will receive an official Bay to Breakers jacket to wear during the race which they may keep afterwards.

Dominguez urges anyone with friends or relatives entered in the race and those who would like to support the Red Cross to call 561-5156 and sign up to participate in one of San Francisco's most exciting events.

Army unveils peace-time awards

The number of decorations worn by every soldier in the Army is about to increase as a result of a Peacetime Military Awards Program approved last week by the Secretary of the Army.

The subject of peacetime military awards first surfaced during a September news conference when Army Chief of Staff Gen. E.C. Meyer stated then that the Army was studying the creation of several military awards. The new awards would recognize soldiers' contributions to the Army during peacetime.

Secretary of the Army John O. Marsh, Jr., announced last week the changes which will be included in an updated version of the Military Awards Regulation (AR 672-5-1). These include:

- Creation of the Army Achievement Medal.
- Service ribbons for Army service, overseas service and NCO Academy completion.
- Authorization to wear one foreign badge/patch per individual.

• Authorization for all state adjutants general, regardless of service, to approve meritorious service and Army commendation medals for Army National Guard members of that state.

The Army Achievement Medal, according to a Department of the Army (DA) personnel official, will be awarded to service members to recognize important achievements not considered as qualifying for the ARCOM but deserving of special recognition. The achievement medal will be worn after the ARCOM and before the purple heart on the Army dress uniforms.

Completion of a normal overseas tour in a peacetime environment will allow service members to be awarded the overseas service ribbon. The official explains that numerals will show completion of other overseas tours.

Both officers and enlisted soldiers will be awarded the Army service ribbon on completion of the initial MOS or basic course. Service members will get the award once only.

The NCO Academy ribbon will be awarded to enlisted soldiers upon completion of each level of the noncommissioned officer education system. The Official comments that subsequent awards will be shown by an oak leaf cluster.

The wearing of the foreign badges, to include qualification and special skill badges and patches, is authorized for permanent wear by the individual. The official says an individual will be able to wear only one badge or patch on a permanent basis. Also, the foreign badge or patch must have been earned after Sept. 1, 1975.

The new medals and ribbons will be authorized for awarding to all qualified active Army, Army National Guard and Army Reserve Soldiers, the Official states.

According to another DA Official, the new ribbons are expected to be available in post exchanges in 10-12 months. The Army supply system expects to be selling the ribbons 22 months from now.

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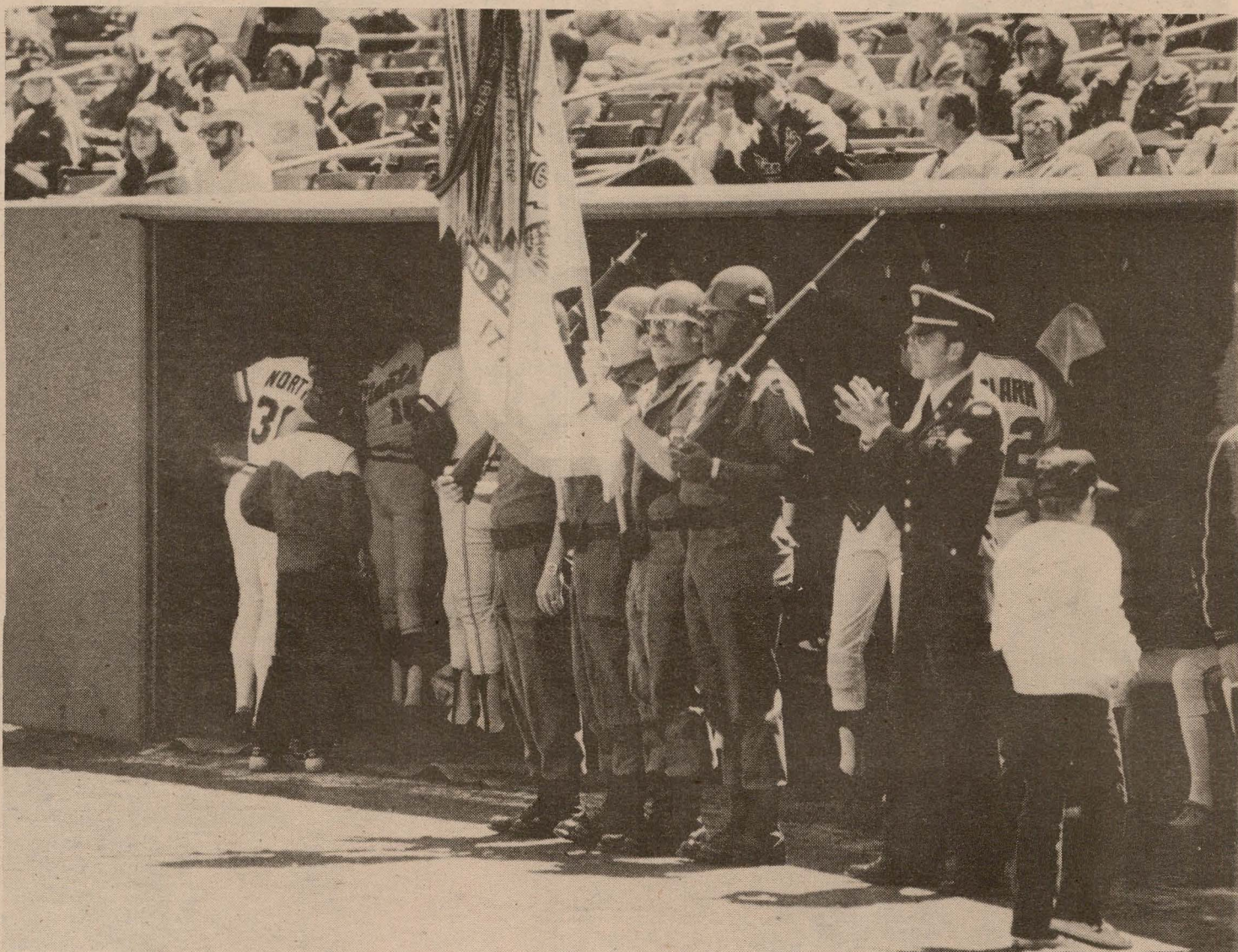
Choo Young Bock's opening remarks

"I am delighted to be here at this beautiful port city of San Francisco where the 13th annual United States-Republic of Korea Security Consultative Meeting is being hosted. On behalf of the Korean delegation and myself, I would like to express our gratitude to you Mr. Secretary and the Government of the United States for inviting us to this meaningful forum.

"I also take this opportunity to convey the warm greetings and gratitude of President Chun Doo Hwan and the people of Korea for the gracious hospitality that President Reagan and the Government of the United States extended to him and his delegation during the Republic of Korea-United States summit conference this past February.

"Our two countries so far have had 12 Security Consultative Meetings in the steady pursuit of our common security interests. In these concerted efforts we have played an essential role in contributing to security on the Korea Peninsula and also to peace in Northeast Asia.

"Today, the Free World is confronted with the visible threat of Communist aggression in various parts. The efforts to preserve freedom from such a threat have become an urgent and vital task for all nations upholding the cause of liberty."



Vietnam vets honored

Five Presidio veterans of the Vietnam war took part in opening ceremonies during last Sunday's Giants-Braves game at Candlestick Park. WO1 Craig Lee threw out the first ball and SFC's Dennis Wilson, Philip Sowers, Nilger

Moore, and Sterne Roufa made up the color guard. All five are assigned to Headquarters Company, US Army Garrison. Sp4 Donald B. Jacob, Sixth Army Band, played the National Anthem.

Photo by John Green

Presidio hosts US, Korean talks

Following an arrival ceremony in honor of Army General LEW Byong Hion, Chairman of the Republic of Korea (ROK) Joint Chiefs of Staff (JCS), the third Military Committee Meeting (MCM) was convened here on Tuesday.

U. S. Air Force General David C. Jones, Chairman of the U. S. JCS, hosted the meeting, attended by General LEW; Admiral Robert L.J. Long, Commander in Chief, Pacific; General John A. Wickham, Jr., Commander in Chief of the ROK/US Combined Forces Command (CFC); and supporting ROK and U. S. staff members.

The meeting reviewed past, present and future operations, activities and requirements of the ROK/US CFC.

The two JCS chairmen were complimentary of the capability of the CFC to carry out its mission of planning for the defense of the ROK. They also remarked on the excellent relationship and friendly cooperation which mark the integrated headquarters in Seoul.

Specific recommendations by the MCM were reported at the 13th annual US/ROK Security Consultative Meeting, which is also being held here at Sixth US Army Headquarters.

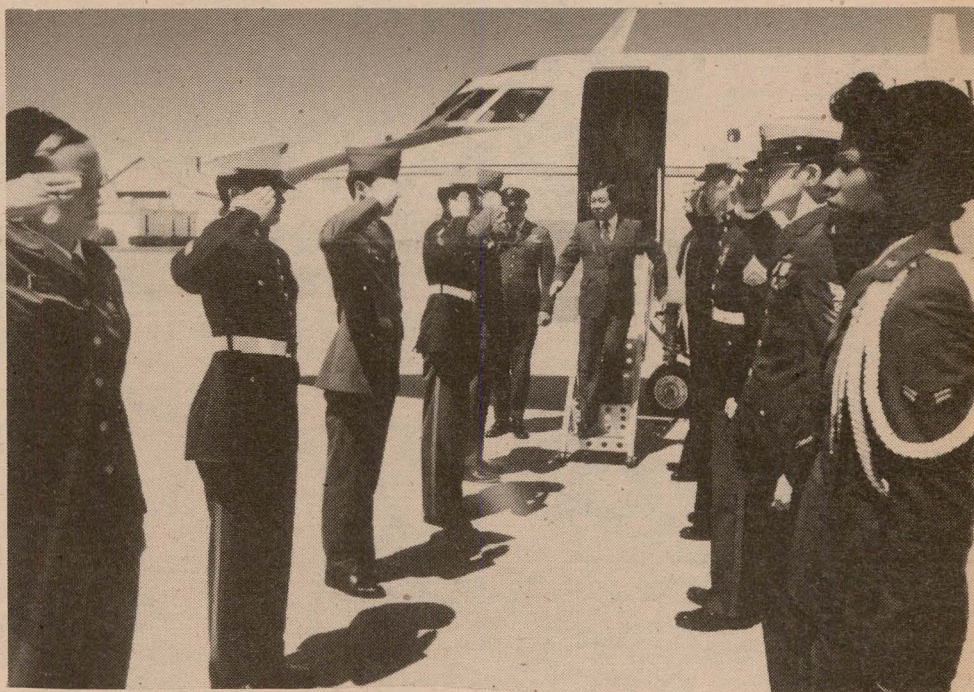


Gen. David C. Jones and Gen. LEW Byong Hion inspect members of the 170th MP Co.

Photos by Bill Malkiel



SFC Fred Winters briefs the Chairmen.



Choo Young Bock arrives to a military salute.



Gen Jones greets his Korean counterpart.



Third US-ROK Military Committee Meeting gets underway.

Time to spare

Vacation to Hawaii on \$2 a night

Warm, gentle breezes beneath brilliant skies and translucent blue waters white-capping against sun-drenched beaches make Hawaii the world's favorite vacation spot. But to most soldiers, a holiday in this alluring island paradise is the impossible dream. Costs are just too high.

That was until recently. Now soldiers, retirees and their families find that their dreams of an island holiday can be real and that a vacation in Hawaii is a luxury they can afford. They can stay at the Hale Koa Hotel.

Located on the grounds of Fort DeRussy, the Hale Koa Hotel, or House of Warriors as it translates to, is an armed forces recreation center where service people and their families can find first-class rest and relaxation facilities at bargain rates.

Built in 1975 from money gener-

ated in post exchanges and clubs around the world, the Hale Koa is not run for profit. Its only purpose is to serve active and retired service members. Income from its daily operations is used for improvements and renovations.

The Hale Koa, operated by the Army but open to members of all services, is a complete recreation center boasting dining facilities for all tastes and pocketbooks, lounges for all moods, showrooms, a games room, a fresh water swimming pool, and all the water sports that Hawaii provides.

For those who desire a quiet evening dinner in the comfort of their own room, room service is available. For many of the rooms, this means eating while gazing at the hypnotizing view of the star-drenched Pacific Ocean or lights atop the majestic Koolau Mountains.

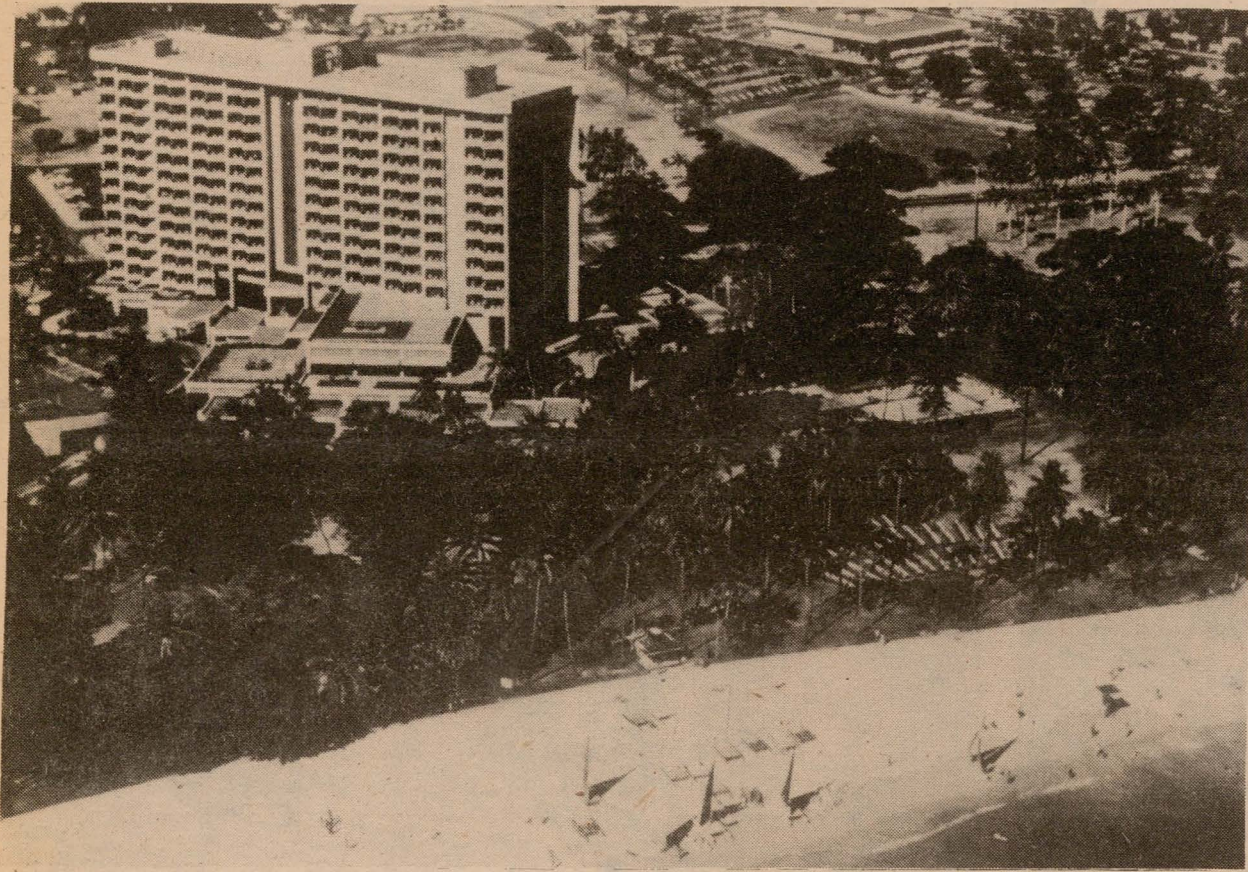
All of the hotel's special functions are priced with military discounts. Attend an authentic Polynesian show, beachside luau, or a lavish buffet overlooking the Pacific Ocean at the most reasonable prices in all of Waikiki.

Hotel room rates are based on soldiers' pay. Depending on the room's view, junior enlisted (E-1 to E-5) pay from \$2 to \$29 a night for two people. Senior enlisted and junior officers (E-6 to E-9, W-1 to W-3, O-1 to O-3) pay \$27 to \$38. Retirees and higher grades pay anywhere from \$36 to \$49). A limited number of oceanfront rooms are available upon request at an additional charge. A single person is charged \$2 less. A rollaway bed for an extra person costs an additional \$7, cribs are \$3), and children under 12 are free when no extra bed is required.

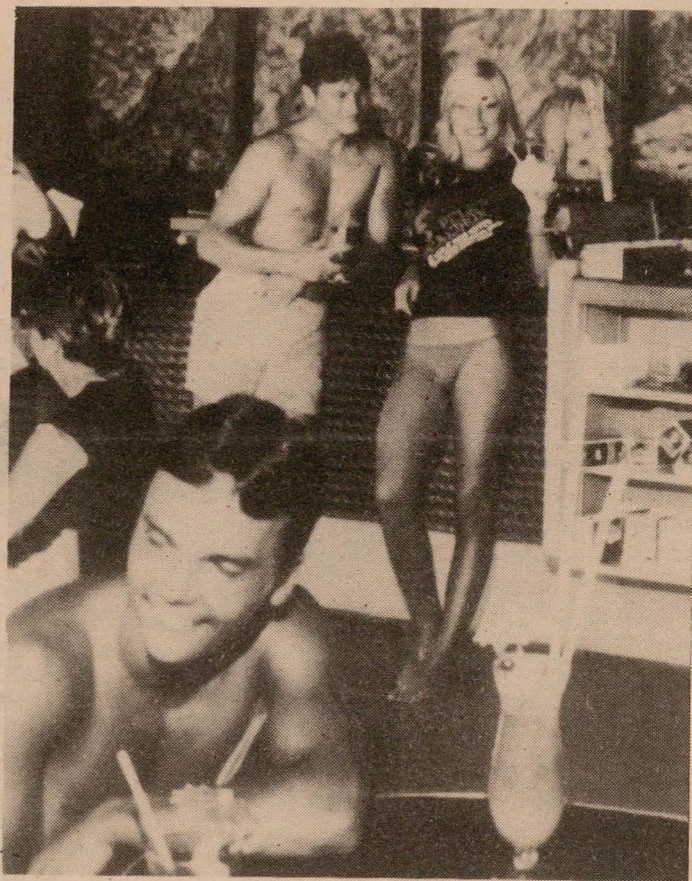
Reservations at the Hale Koe Hotel are simple to make. A toll-free number, 800-37-6027, connects you directly with the Reservation Office. Or, if you have time, write the hotel directly, requesting the information you need: Hale Koa Hotel, 2055 Kalia Road, Honolulu, Hawaii 96815.

Traveling to Hawaii can still be an economical way to escape. Many airlines offer special fares, and some offer package programs. Contact your information, tour and travel (ITT) office at ext. 2000 or travel agent to keep in touch with the best bargains. Shop around for discounted air fares, such as excursions, charters, military discounts, or even military flights. For Space-A flight information, call Travis Air Force Base.

If you need more information to help plan your dream vacation in Hawaii, remember to write or call the Hale Koa Hotel.



The 416-room Hale Koa Hotel Armed Forces Recreation Center is located on 1/3 mile of beautiful Waikiki Beach. The Hotel, built in 1975, recently underwent a \$3.5 million renovation.



The barefoot bar at the Hale Koa is great for those who just want to "hang loose".

'The Butler Did It' at the post Playhouse

Presidio Modern Western Square Dance Group meets every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at the Log Cabin.

Breadmaking Workshop on Wednesday, May 13 at 10:30 a.m. Learn techniques for success with dough. We'll mix, knead, shape and roll dough into pocket bread, pizza, bagels, coffee cakes, french bread and much more. Cost is \$8.

A new four week course in **Cake Decorating** will begin on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. Price is \$15 for 4 weeks. A minimum of 8 persons is necessary to hold this class. Please don't wait to sign up.

The **Great America** tour's on Saturday May 16 at 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Price of \$10 includes entrance ticket (\$11.95 value) plus transportation by commercial deluxe motorcoach. A **Canoe trip** on Russian River is scheduled for July 18. The price is \$15 and includes bus transportation to and from the Recreation Center, canoe, paddle, life jackets, wine-tasting tour to the historic **Italian Swiss**

Colony Winery and chicken barbecue dinner.

Tickets now available and for sale:

1. Great America tickets—\$8.50 (Regular price \$11.95)
2. Marine World Africa USA—\$6.75 adults, \$4.75 children (Regular \$8.95 and \$5.95)
3. Baseball tickets—Sunday Games—Giants Box seats \$6.50—A's Reserve seats \$5
4. "Salutes the Military" Disneyland tickets \$7.50
5. Reno Hospitality Pack \$2.25
6. Diners Out Books (2 for 1) \$16 (Regular \$22)
7. Lion Country Safari tickets (In Irvine, CA) for \$4.25 adults (Reg. \$5.95) and \$2.74 for children (Reg. \$3.75)

For additional information concerning program activities please call Ext 2000. Ticket sales and distribution of discount coupons are available after 4:00 p.m.

"**THE BUTLER DID IT**," will have two final performances on Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. at the Presidio Playhouse. Tickets are available at the Playhouse Box Office from 1-5 p.m. and 30 minutes before performances.

Tickets are \$3 and \$1 less for military personnel, dependents, retired military, and reservists, upon presentation of ID Card. Advance purchase of tickets is encouraged, as this comedy spoof of English mystery plays has been playing to sold out houses.

at the movies

Presidio Theater

Apr. 30
May 1
May 2
May 2
May 3
May 4
May 5
May 6

The Devil and Max Devlin (PG)
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Jason and the Argonauts (G)
Loving Couples (PG)
Dogs of War (R)
Dogs of War (R)
FOLKES (PG)
The Stunt Man (R)

7 p.m.
7 p.m.
2 p.m.
7 p.m.
7 p.m.
7 p.m.
7 p.m.
7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Apr. 30
May 1
May 4
May 5
May 6

The Mountain Men (R)
My Bloody Valentine (R)
The Devil and Max Devlin (PG)
Loving Couples (PG)
Dogs of War (R)

7 p.m.
7 p.m.
7 p.m.
7 p.m.
7 p.m.

Sports



Photo by Tim Dewar

Gregory Fitts and Lester Washington run during practice.

Presidio hosting track team tryouts for sixth time

For the sixth year in a row, the Presidio is hosting the All-Army track team tryouts until May 30.

Thirty seven Army runners are present for this years tryouts and Robert Darling, Coach and Assistant Sports Director at the Presidio expects to "carry at least 90 to 95 percent of them," to make up this years All-Army team.

They hope once again to be led by runners like two-year track team member Lester Washington and two-year veteran Jerome Morgan.

A 23-year-old Dallas-Texas native, Washington, who is stationed in Freebird Germany with the 136th Inf. won last years 100 and 200 meter events with a time of 10.43 for the 100.

Morgan, a Tennessee native also stationed in Freebird, won last years 400 meter event at the Interservice competition.

Darling plans to try an easy-hard

training method, which is "training hard one day, maybe running sprints and taking it easier the next day."

About half of this years runners are returning from last years team, according to Darling, and he is hopeful of having many members of this years team go all the way to the Council of International Sports in the Military, (CISM).

Washington, confident and optimistic about his chances adds, "I heard William Snyder came into the Navy, if he did, the 200 meter should be a really good race. I've done won it two years in a row, I don't want to lose it now," he adds.

Washington and many of the other people trying out for the team have not only been running to stay in shape, but lifting weights as well.

Darling, stressing the importance of stretching and conditioning added, "if we can keep everyone off the injured list, we should have a pretty good team."

Sport shorts— Umps wanted

Personnel interested in officiating softball games during the coming season are urged to attend an official rules interpretation meeting April 30, 1981 at Post Gym Number 1, starting at 5 p.m. For additional information, contact Mr. Bobbie Gascon, at ext. 4120.

Exercise class

A beginners and an intermediate exercise class for men and women will be offered at the Post Gym Number 2 on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning May 12 and continuing for four weeks. Cost will be \$20 for the eight lessons. Times for beginners will be from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and the intermediate class will be from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. For more information, contact Robert Darling, at ext. 4120.

Boxers wanted

Novice and open class boxers are wanted to start a boxing program at the Fort Scott Gym, Bldg. 1226. For additional information, contact Mr. Jim Ragasa at ext. 5032/3364.

Volleyball

The league champs, LAMC, defeated a strong 504th MP BN team, 15-7, 15-12, in the "if game" of the finals last Thursday. Behind the leadership and strong spiking, blocking, and serving of coach/player, Olosega Faitlia. In addition to Faitlia's outstanding performance, LAMC was fortunate to have former All-Army Women's Volleyball player, Pae Pae Mika on the team.

The league runner-up was determined last week when LAIR won by forfeit from the 504th MP BN.

Baseball

The 1981, DYA Youth Baseball program will be kicked-off May 9 with the opening ceremonies com-

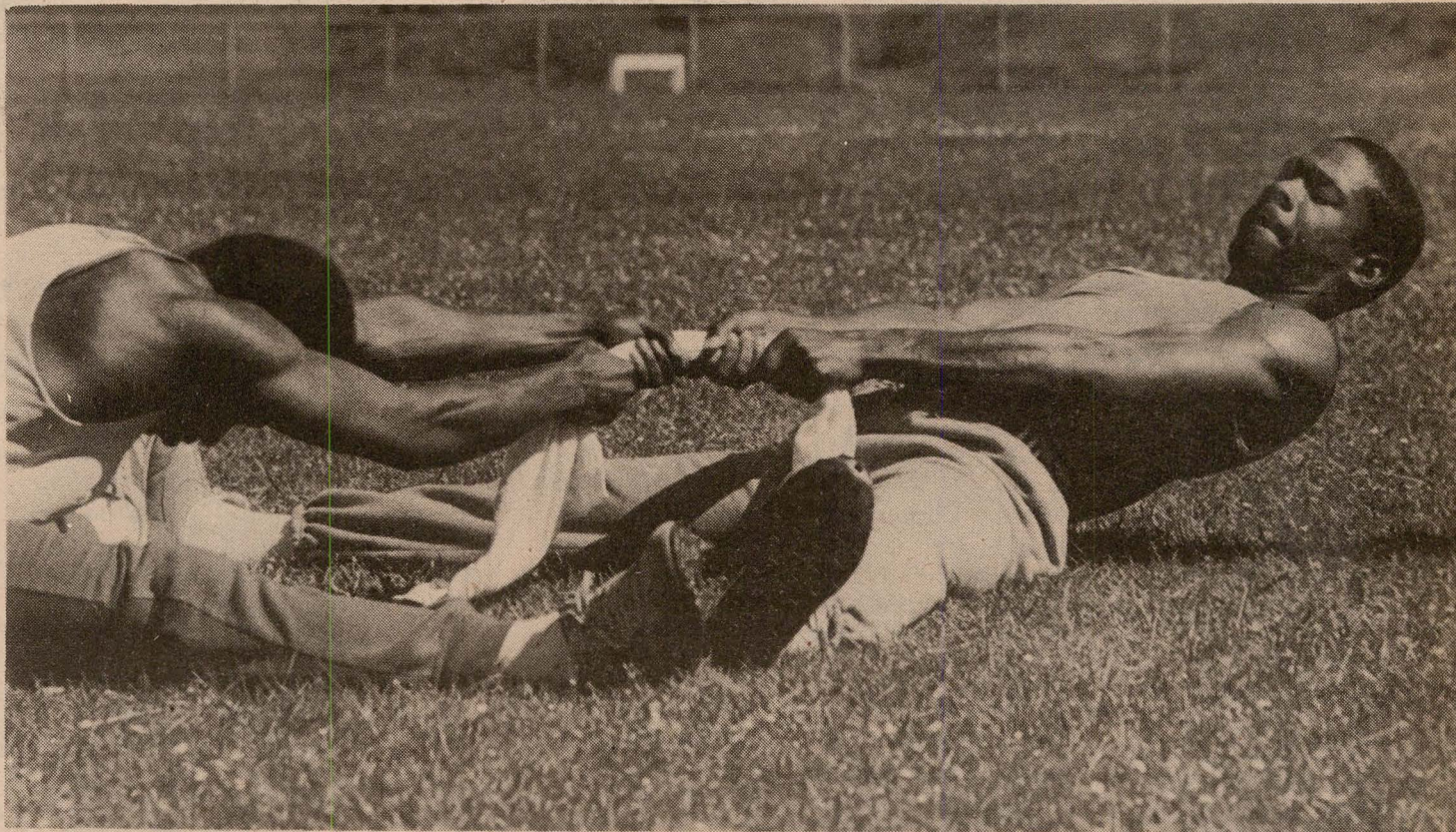


Photo by Tim Dewar

Cornell Quarles (right) and Kenny Baldwin help each other stretch.

mencing at 8:30 a.m. at Pop Hicks Field. All parents of team members and personnel interested in the Youth Program are invited to attend and to support the program.

Sign-ups for the minor league (7-10 years), major league (11-12 years) and junior league (13-14 years) are still being taken. For additional information, contact Mr. Karl Gaffney, ext. 2070/5328.

Standings

Final standings for the volleyball league are as follows:

- 1st place—LAMC
- 2nd place—504th MP BN
- 3rd place—USAC
- 4th place—Golden Gate Reserve Center
- 5th place—LAIR
- 6th place—Public Health Service
- 6th place—LAIR
- 8th place—OARB

Bowling team

The 1981 Presidio Post Bowling Team, which will participate in the 1981 Forscom Bowling Tournament at Ft. Ord, CA, April 27 thru May 1, has now been formed with the following representative.

Unit	Name	Total Pins	Aver
LAMC 1	SFC Lebrov	3672	204
LAMC 2	SFC McGuire	3638	201.5
INSCOM			
3	SFC Werne	3495	194
REG IX 4	SFC Lyarda	3420	190
LAMC* 5	SSg. Corbilla	3264	181
*Alternate			

Golf results

Intramural golf low score of the week was shot by LT Gary Wood, 504th MP BN, with a 62.

Thursday's competition was as follows:

504th MP BN, 5½ vs ARR IX, 3½

6th ARMY 2, 5 vs 6th ARMY 1, 4
LAIR 2, 6 vs OARB, 3
USAG 5 vs LAIR 1, 4

Standings

League standings are as follows:

Team	For	Against	Matches Played
6th ARMY 1	24½	11½	4
ARR IX	31	14	5
6th ARMY 2	25½	19½	5
LAIR 1	23½	21½	5
OARB	11½	15½	3
504th MP BN	10	17	3
USAG	19	26	5
LAIR 2	13½	30½	5

Strikers lose

The Strikers, Presidio's DYA soccer team, lost last week 3-0. This brings their record to 0-3 on the season. The Strikers have 2 games this weekend, Saturday at 9:30 a.m. and Sunday at 1:30 p.m.

Presidio News Notes



Photo of the week

Emma Edwards, with her shot of swans has captured this weeks Photo of the Week competition. Entries are still being accepted in Bldg. 37. If you would like

your prints returned, please enclose a self addressed stamped envelope.

Chapel show

The Fort Scott Chapel will present a special non-denominational program on Sunday at 7:00 p.m. The program will feature a sing-a-long and the film, "The Conversion of Colonel Bottomly". The film presentation is the true story of who an Air Force fighter pilot found that God loves all people. Following the program refreshments will be served. Everyone is invited to attend.

Bake sale

The Aquarius Swim Club will have a BAKE SALE on Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. It will be held at Leterman; First Floor, near the elevators.

EM Wives Club

The Enlisted Men's Wives' Club will have their business meeting Monday night at 7:30 p.m. at Bldg. 1299. New members are welcome!

Exec. seminar

The Executive Seminar scheduled for May 7 has been postponed until May 28.

It will be held at the Enlisted NCO Club, Bldg. 135, PSF, 8:00 a.m. to noon.

Persons scheduled for May 7 will be rescheduled by HRDD for the May 28 class.

Secretary class

American Red Cross will be conducting a two session CPR (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation) class, May 26th and 28th from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Please call your Red Cross

Office to sign up to attend the course, 561-2187.

Military ball

Navy, Army, Air Force, Marine Corps and Coast Guard personnel and civilian friends of the armed services are invited to attend the Combined Armed Forces Ball hosted by the Navy at Treasure Island on May 16.

The evening begins with a cocktail hour at 7 p.m., followed by a buffet dinner and entertainment. Dinner will conclude with the cutting of a 10-foot Armed Forces Week cake. Dance music will be provided by two live bands—the Navy Band of San Francisco and the Sixth Army Band from the Presidio.

The event is open to all military officers and enlisted E-6 and above, both active and reserve, and to civilian friends of the Armed Forces. Dress is military dinner dress or civilian black tie. Tickets are \$16.50 per person and \$33 per couple. Tables of ten may be reserved for 10 or more people. Attendance is limited to the first 800 reservations.

For information or reservations, contact Jerry Armosino at the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce 392-4511.

YMCA benefit

A benefit for the Theatre at Central YMCA, 220 Golden Gate Avenue, S.F., will be given on Thursday, May 7. Proceeds will go towards the renovation of the Theatre.

This centrally located facility has

been chosen to spearhead the regeneration of the inner-city and provide an arts center available to the community.

The evening will include dinner, prepared and served by the Culinary Academy of S.F., a full program of entertainment featuring Ruth Hastings and many other Bay Area performing arts groups.

It will be a carnival night—with magicians, mimes, jugglers, and many other acts. The fundraising project has gained support from several community arts and civic groups.

For ticket information call Caroline Morrison at the YMCA, 885-0460.

Maj. Gen. Lawson guest speaker

Maj Gen. Frederick W. Lawson, Commander 91st Infantry Division, will be the speaker at the joint meeting of Reserve Officers Association (ROA) chapters 6 and 91 at the Presidio Officers Club on Thursday, May 7.

Officers of all military services, active, reserve and retired are welcome to attend.

Hospitality hour begins at 6:30 p.m. and dinner is at 7:30.

For reservations, \$9 per person, make check payable to "R. O.A." and send to Col. Angus Loop, 6401 Melville Drive, Oakland, 94611.

Lawns need more water

With the approach of warmer weather, Presidio residents are being advised to increase lawn care and maintenance.

"As a minimum," advises Felix Oliva of the Grounds Maintenance Division, Department of Facilities Engineers, "residents should water their lawns thoroughly at least once a week, and if the lawn is exposed to direct sunlight or wind, twice a week may be necessary."

"Also during the spring," Oliva explains, "a light coat of fertilizer followed by a thorough watering may be a good idea."

"The lack of rain and high winds can cause lawns to dry out and turn brown, this can be avoided by keeping your lawns watered," he adds.

Residents who fail to keep their lawns properly maintained may face disciplinary action if the deficiency is noted on a housing inspection roster and is not corrected, according to one Family Housing official.

An awards program to recognize those residents who continue to excel on the weekly inspections is also being planned according to the official.

Army firemen assist in chemical spill

An estimated 2,700 gallons of transformer oil containing the highly toxic chemical, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB), got some close attention from the firefighters at Parks Reserve Forces Training Area this past Friday evening.

A tanker truck owned by Jefford Drayage was carrying the oil under contract with Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) along Interstate 580 enroute to Kern County. The driver of the tanker, Michael Schiedt, 22, of Hayward, apparently lost control, struck a parked pickup truck and overturned, causing both tanks to rupture.

The PCB-laden oil spilled out onto the freeway and surrounding area, causing an immediate health hazard to anyone or anything coming into contact with it. The Livermore Fire Department, through Alameda County, placed a call to the fire station at Parks, requesting immediate assistance.

According to Fire Chief Myron Lien, the Parks Crash Truck was on the scene of the accident at approximately 8:15.

"When we first received the call, we thought it was a gasoline spill," said Lien, who heads both the Fire and Security Departments of Parks. "It is our policy to assist local and county fire departments when the need arises under a Mutual Assistance agreement. When we arrived on the scene, we were told there was a chance the spill was PCB."

The firefighters from Parks used chemical foam to reduce the chances of a fire while firefighters from Livermore and workers from CalTrans undertook the job of containing the chemical. Specialists from the IT Corporation, a company under contract with Caltrans to handle chemical spills, also arrived on the scene to assist in the decontamination procedures.

PG&E officials estimated that the transformer

oil contained 16 parts per million PCB, although the Livermore Fire Department reported the concentration level to be somewhat higher. While PG&E officials state that 50 parts per million are considered safe levels, some ecology organizations have stated that anything in excess of 5 parts per million is dangerous. PCB has been linked to birth defects, respiratory illness and cancer.

Chief Lien, who was on the scene with two other Army civilian firefighters from Parks, says every precaution is being taken to insure there will be no adverse effects from the accident.

"We have bagged and isolated the two firefighting suits (turnouts) used and 150 feet of rubber hose, pending a final decision on whether they can be decontaminated or must be destroyed."

The IT Corporation decontaminated the metal portions of the Parks' Crash Truck, but the 10 tires which came into contact with the chemical may have to be destroyed.

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Letterman soldier cited for heroism

by Bill Craig

A 72 year old San Francisco resident who suffered a heart attack while riding his bicycle on Lincoln Blvd. last Tuesday evening is alive and recovering at LAMC thanks to the lifesaving efforts of a Presidio soldier and a civilian who were passing by at the time.

Sp5 Deborah S. Luzier, an operating room specialist at LAMC, and an as yet unidentified off-duty civilian ambulance attendant were driving on Lincoln Blvd. in Ft. Scott when they saw a man fall off his bicycle near the Golden Gate Bridge.

The victim, Bruce Lathrop of San Francisco, was in full cardiac arrest and all his vital signs were negative. Luzier removed Lathrop's glasses

and immediately began to administer cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR). She was assisted by the unidentified ambulance driver.

Another passerby who witnessed the accident was Robert Stewart, a Facilities Engineer plumber. Stewart went to a phone and called military police.

Minutes later a fire engine and a rescue unit from the Presidio Fire Department arrived on the scene. Firefighters Greg Stewart and Jerry Bonomi, both Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT) took over the CPR.

Bonomi recalls, "When we arrived on the scene, the victim was lying on the side of the road with CPR being given by two passers by. We determined that CPR had been in progress for five or six minutes and vital signs were negative."

Stewart took over chest compressions, and Bonomi began ventilations with a mechanical resuscitator. They got a gag reflex just before and again after the ambulance arrived.

At that point, the ambulance crew EMTs D. Mitchell and Sgt. Albert Jennings took over the CPR functions enroute to the hospital.

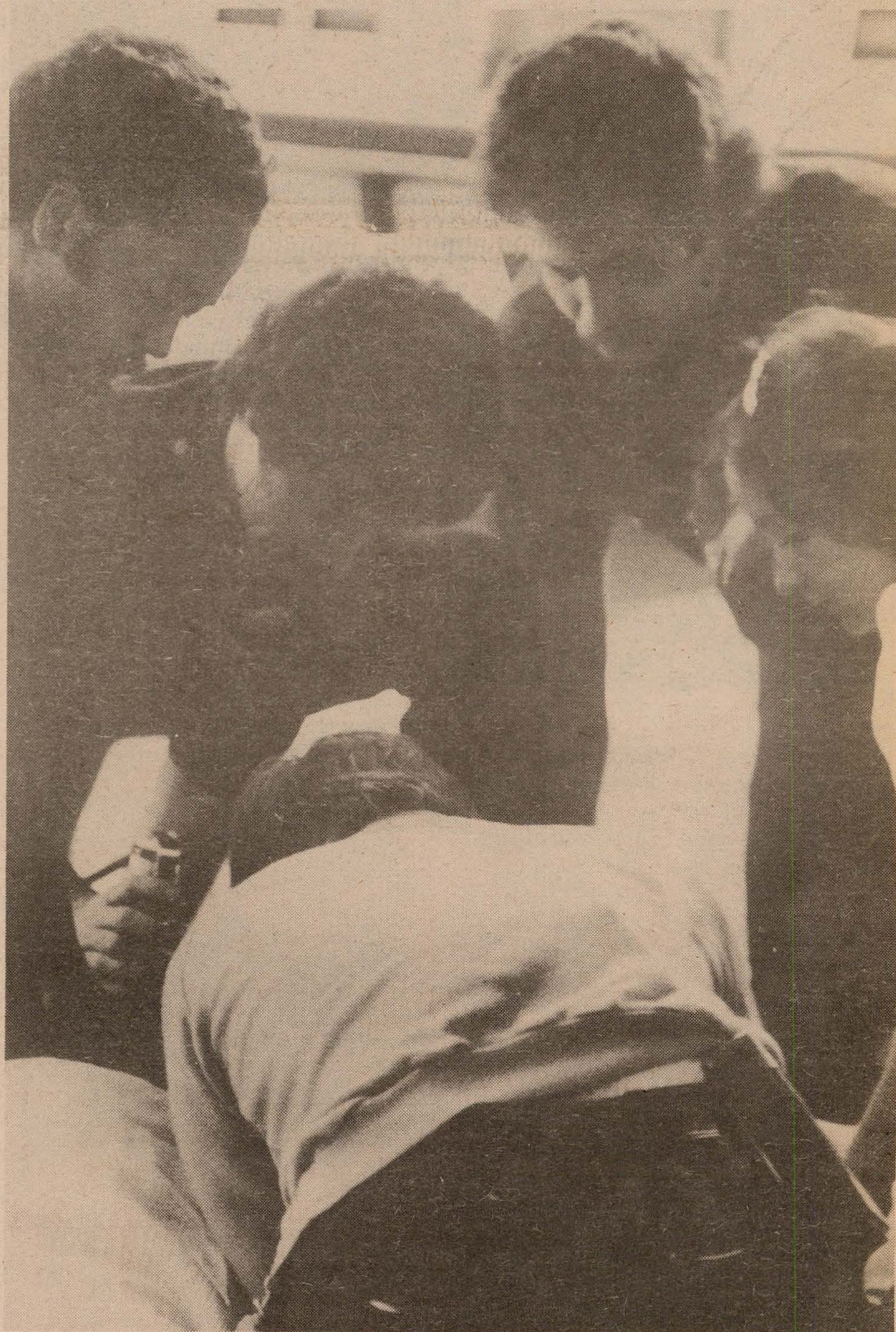
Firefighter Stewart and Luzier accompanied the victim in the ambulance and assisted the EMTs from LAMC.

Assistant fire chief, Eugene Day gives most of the credit to Luzier and the unidentified man for saving Lathrop's life. He indicates that without the two, the victim would have had little chance to survive.

He adds, "This case points out the effectiveness of all the Presidio's emergency services working together. It illustrates their high level of professionalism which is often taken for granted."

Day, who is also chairman of the post's Red Cross Safety Program Committee, says he plans to nominate Luzier, a 24-year-old native of Ridgway, Penn. for the Red Cross Lifesaving Award.

It is the highest award given by the Red Cross. It is presented to those who save lives using a technique taught by the Red Cross such as



From left to right, firefighters Stewart, Bonomi, MacPherson and Sp5 Luzier work to save Lathrop's life. Photo by T. Dewar

Water Safety, First Aid, or CPR. Each case must be thoroughly documented.

The lifesaving award is signed by the President and is generally presented by a U.S. Senator, a Congressman or high ranking military official.

Day would also like to nominate

the off duty ambulance attendant who assisted Luzier at the scene.

"He did everything he could at the scene and then left before anyone had a chance to find out his name," adds Day.

Presidio Fire Department officials would appreciate any assistance in locating the unidentified hero. His picture appears at the left.



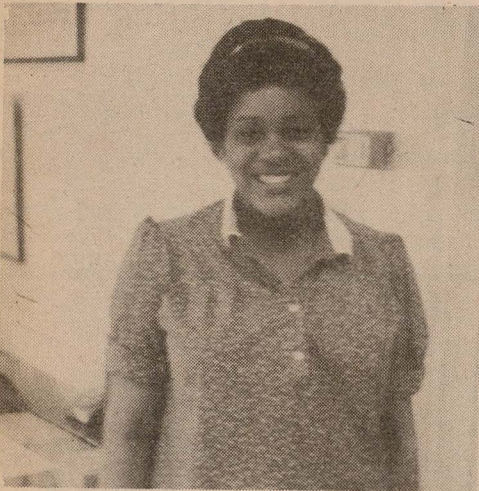
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Mystery hero, left, without identifying himself.

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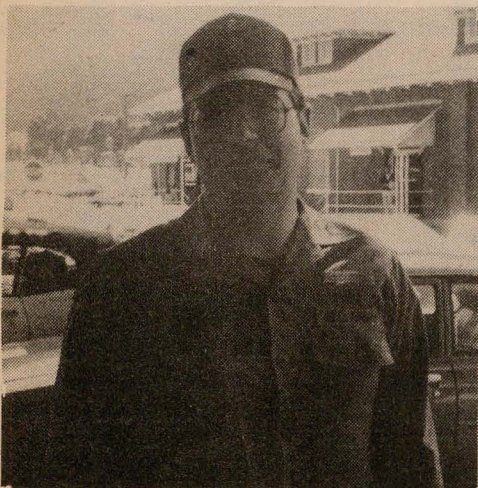
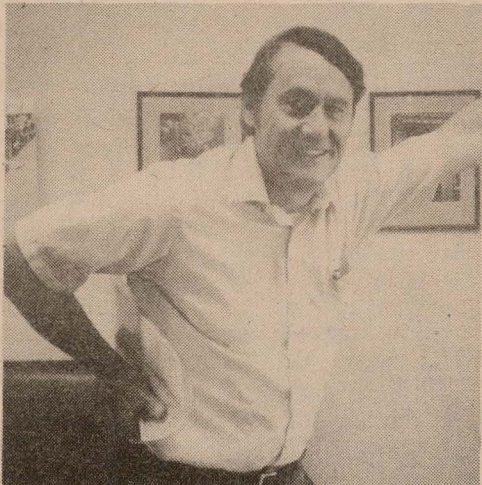
Ramblin' Sam

What is the most unusual or memorable thing that has happened to you since you've been at the Presidio?



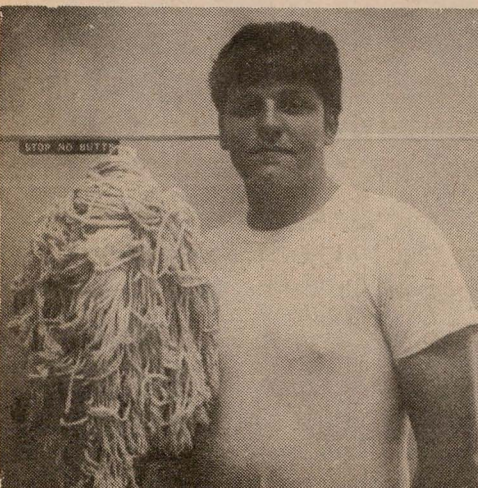
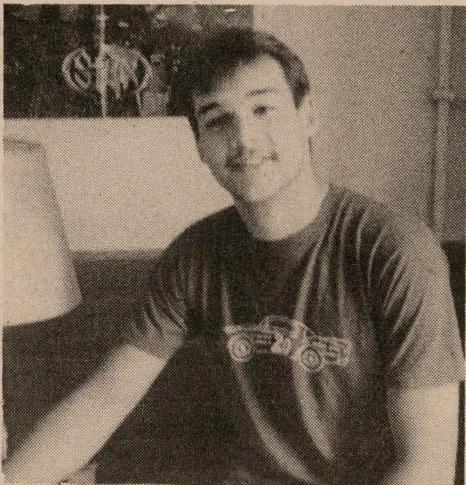
Pvt. 1 Robin Range-USAG—"A woman tried to pick me up while we were walking down the street. She was insulted because I told her I wasn't gay."

Don Smith-Post Photo Lab—"The weirdest thing I've seen since I have been at the Presidio was a guy driving down the Waldo Grade steering with his knees, playing the harmonica with both hands."



Maj. John Meybin-Dep. Provost Marshal—"I attended the brotherhood of Knights of Wines, \$100 a plate dinner, at the Moet Chandon Vineyards, and tasted their special 1971 French burgundy."

Sp4 Howard D. Daversa-170th MP Co.—"I went down to Market Street and there was a hippie playing an electric guitar singing about LSD."



Pvt. 1 "Red" Brewer-Tmp—"I ran into a muni bus, and then there was the time..."

Commentary

Modern medicine

by K. Douglas Cook

Far be it from me to question the wisdom of modern medicine, but...

This week marked another milestone in the learning process which seems to follow me around. Frankly, it's a real pain at times. I've yet to really come to grips with the "i before e, but not after c" rule and remembering which months have 30 days requires me to recite a poem silently!

If these aren't bad enough, now people are trying to tell me about when I should eat shellfish! Supposedly—and don't hold me accountable for this bit of information—you should not eat shellfish in any month which does not have an "R" in it!

First off, I've never really been too sure of what qualifies as a shellfish. I was happy to place clams, oysters, crabs, lobsters, shrimp, mussels and the occasional turtle in the shellfish family. After all, these all have a shell of some sort.

Now, I have been known to eat some of these critters every now and again, except for turtles. How could anyone eat something which was kin to a family pet and looks like a tank with legs?

Well, to make matters more confusing, my friends tell me that crabs, lobsters and shrimp aren't really shellfish. Oh, never mind that they have shells. They're members of the Crustacean family. So, I look up that word in the dictionary and, guess what... a crustacean is defined as an "arthropod which has a hard shell!"

From the editor

In 1972, the United States shifted into an all-volunteer system for filling the ranks of its military forces. In that same year the military pay structure was adjusted to make it comparable with that in the civilian sector of our economy. Now, nine years later, the all-volunteer armed force is still with us, but comparability of military pay was left behind several years ago.

Presidents Nixon, Ford and Carter all found it expedient to depress annual adjustments below the actual growth in prices. The buying power of service pay has been on a downhill slide ever since the first "pay cap" was screwed on.

Last year, Congress voted an 11.7 percent pay adjustment to be effective on October first, but that amount barely balanced the inflation that had occurred within the previous 12 months. Before that raise, pay for new recruits amounted to just 84 percent of the federal minimum wage.

Great! So we're back to this thing about not eating a shellfish during a month which has no "R."

Sparing no expense, I went to the most knowledgeable source available," an associate of mine who once visited Baltimore. Why, I asked, shouldn't one eat shellfish during a month without an "R?"

"Because," he said, "it's not healthy. During months without an "R" shellfish have something in them which can make you sick, paralyze you and, in some cases, even cause death!"

I felt a little ill when he said this, remembering that just last Saturday evening, May 2nd (there's absolutely no "R" in May), I had a delightful meal of Oysters Rockefeller. My source told me not to worry as the oysters were probably caught in April. (There IS an "R" in April, thank goodness!)

So now I have another bit of information to worry about. Not only will I have to remember that dumb poem to know how long the month is... I'll have to remember how to spell each month!

More importantly, I'm concerned about how those little shellfish really know what month it is! I'm wondering if a bunch, or is it herd, of clams aren't just sitting around on the beach waiting for September 1st to roll around! Maybe they're plotting a surprise assault on us shellfish eaters!

Hummm. I also like walnuts, peanuts and pecans. They have shells too and...

A recent outpouring of news stories about junior service members who are finding it difficult, if not impossible, to achieve a reasonable standard of living without taking part-time civilian jobs has served to emphasize the noncompetitive nature of military pay.

Some middle-grade noncommissioned officers with wives and children now find their income qualifies them to buy food stamps. Certainly this kind of a situation is not conducive to attracting good people into our military ranks or to keeping them there once they are trained and productive.

If, as Secretary Weinberger has said, the Reagan Administration is committed to regaining comparability, the Department of Defense must take a closer look at what must be done to achieve that goal. At best, the plans they have announced to date only provide a partial answer.

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Black Hawk to be unveiled

Armed Forces Week activities scheduled



SFC Paul Morris will again lead the 91st Div. Bagpiper band.

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Again this year, San Francisco will serve as a focal point for the nation's observance of Armed Forces Week, May 9-16. This is a special year for our nation and its military. In October, we will commemorate the Bicentennial of Washington's victory at Yorktown, the final battle in our struggle for independence.

Armed Forces Week provides a means of recognizing the military for its contributions in maintaining our freedom and independence.

As part of this year's Armed Forces Week activities, arrangements have been made to unveil the Army's two newest fighting systems—the UH-60 Black Hawk Helicopter and the M-2 Infantry Fighting Vehicle (IFV) here at the Presidio.

Also, a contingent of the renowned "Old Guard" from the 3rd Infantry Division will appear on post after taking part in the annual Armed Forces Week Parade in downtown San Francisco.

En route to Fort Lewis, the first Black Hawk to be seen on the West Coast will be on display on the post parade field on May 15. The Army's new air assault and supply helicopter will be piloted by CW3 Richard S. Seefeldt, the Army Aviator of the Year.

On display with the UH-60 will be the first of 7000 infantry fighting vehicles to come off the assembly line. The IFV will be the first combat

vehicle to give Infantry squads the ability to go on a mounted attack and the mobility to keep up with the M-1 Abrams Tank. Designed to carry a fully-equipped 11-man rifle squad, the IFV has a range of 300 miles and the ability to travel up to 41 miles per hour.

While these two new systems are being viewed by a special group of local media, a contingent of the Old Guard's "Commander-in-Chief's" guard will give a demonstration of their drilling prowess, symbolizing the Army's rich tradition and on-going development.

This year's Armed Forces Week celebrations will be highlighted by a downtown parade featuring bands and marching units from each of the services. The Marine's Drum and Bugle Corps from Twenty-Nine Palms, and the Army's unique "Old Guard," officially known as the Commander-in-Chief's Guard, will put on performances at a number of downtown locations. The Navy will hold an open house aboard the guided missile cruiser USS England and the destroyer USS Oldendorf. An 82 foot Coast Guard Cutter and Coast Guard Search and Rescue Helicopter will be on display, and the Air Force will provide a sentry dog demonstration.

For further information, please contact Major Jimmy Jacobs or Captain Sid Donnell, Sixth Army Public Affairs, 561-3952/3861.

Money merchants on road to recovery

by K. Douglas Cook

There's one aspect of military service which gets everyone's attention. Money.

Wherever a person is assigned in the military, whether in uniform or as a federal civilian, there is also a Finance and Accounting Office responsible for keeping a timely flow of cash.

Several months ago, the Travel Section of Presidio's Finance and Accounting Office suffered a serious setback. According to Jim Parker, Acting Finance and Accounting Officer for the post, a series of events put the office between a rock and the hard place.

"Due to career progression, we lost the chief of our Travel Section. That was a significant loss in expertise," Parker said. "However, just shortly after this person departed for a new position, several other key members of the same section also departed! We

were faced with a sudden and totally unanticipated lack of experienced personnel!"

The uniqueness of the Presidio's mission and the fact that travel for official business or change of duty station continues regardless, has the Travel Section in what might be termed as a crisis management situation!

"Our customers, military and civilian, aren't interested in hearing any excuses," Parker recalls. "The fact that their travel vouchers aren't moving through the system in a realistic manner is what matters."

Turning the situation around has taken some serious actions on the part of everyone assigned to the Finance Office. Parker acknowledges it hasn't been easy.

"We were and still are faced with a two-fold problem. On one hand, we have to get the paperwork processed

in a reasonable period of time. So, we set a goal to achieve. Then, on the other hand, we have to train the new people to handle the work. Training takes time... and time's about the last thing we have to spare!"

The goal referred to is to process every travel voucher in 5 days. The latest survey shows that, on the average over the last three months, the turn-around time is down to 7.1 days, handling an average of 3,000 actions per month. Parker agrees that 7 days is acceptable, but still believes the 5 day goal can be reached in time.

"The people in the Travel Section are putting in a lot of long hours and overtime," he said, "It's a big sacrifice and it takes its toll on them. They deserve a lot of credit for the extra hard work they're doing!"

The processing of Individual Travel Vouchers and Permanent Change of Station Vouchers con-

tinues, along with the training needed to do the job. According to Parker, the problem still isn't totally solved, but through dedication and hard work, the situation is improving.

"I have no doubts that we will still have slip-ups and delays. The people in this office are, like everywhere else, only human and the long hours create a counter-productive situation at times. However, I believe they are determined to make the system work and work well!"

Parker added that people who use the Presidio's Travel Section can help in the battle to overcome the problems. "If our customers would make every attempt to fill out the proper forms accurately, completely and in sufficient copies, this will be a great assistance to us. If there is a delay or mistake, check with us and have a little patience. We're doing everything we can to offer the best service possible."

Parade to highlight Latin American Fiesta week

San Francisco's 16th annual Latin-American Fiesta Week will run through Sunday by mayoral proclamation.

Celebration dates notwithstanding, the Spanish-speaking Citizens Foundation which sponsors the event has announced plans to stage an elaborate parade on May 17.

Parade director Renie Champagne estimates that the streetcade will attract around 160 units, including a half dozen floats with Hispanic themes, "lots of horses," drill teams, color guards, assorted novelty units and numerous bands ranging from military to mariachi.

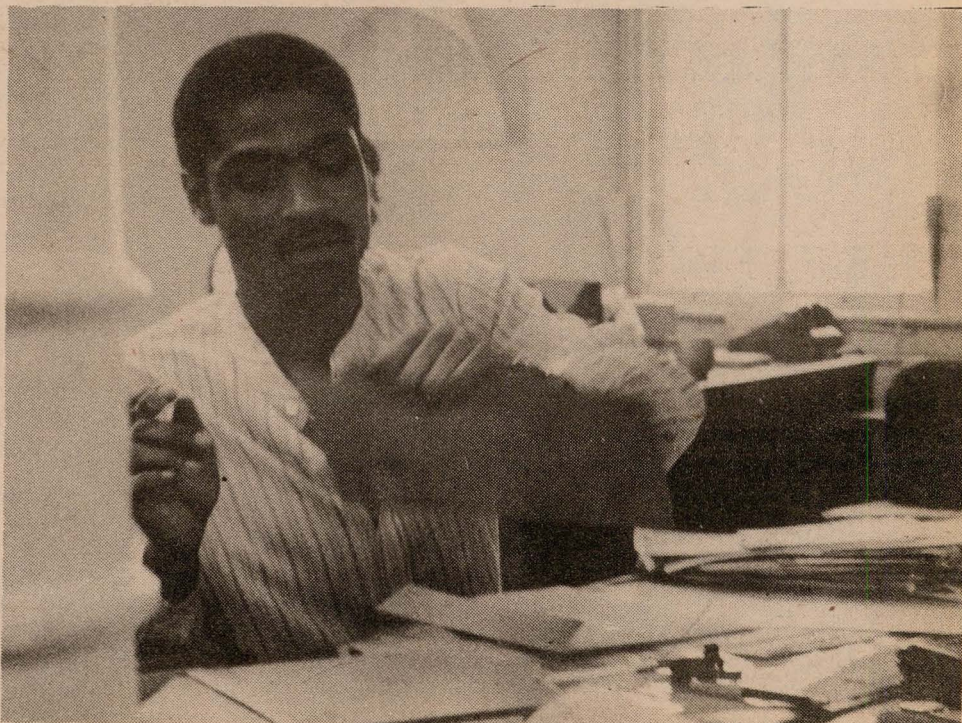
Some 2,000 Northern California Latinos and Latinos-at-heart will take

part in the march through the Mission District.

The parade will start at 1 p.m. at 18th and Folsom Streets. The line of march is west on 18th to Mission, south on Mission to 24th and east on 24th to Potrero. Units will pass in review on 24th Street near South Van Ness.

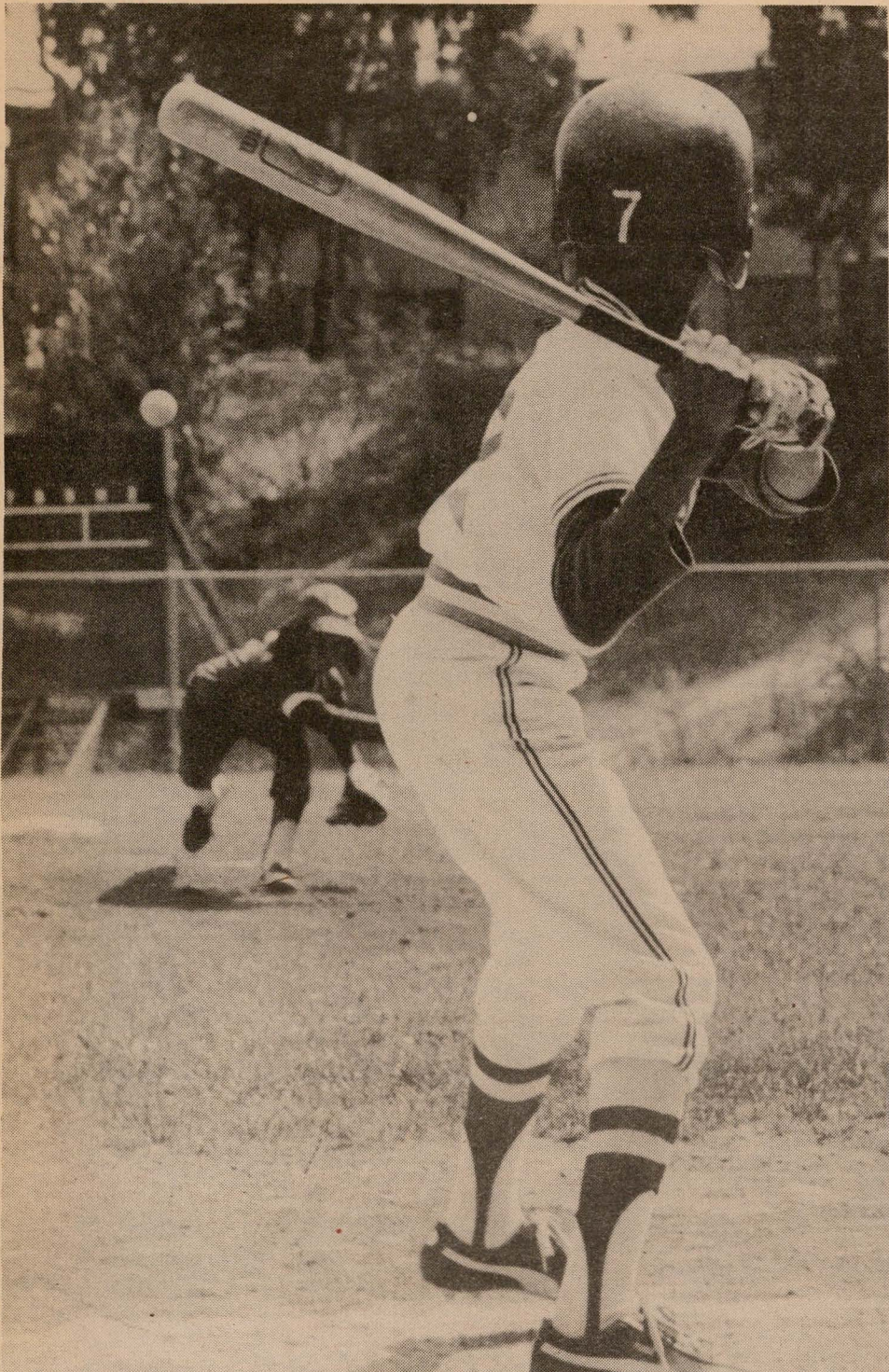
A Cinco de Mayo Festival is being held concurrent with Fiesta Week at The Cannery, Beach and Leavenworth Streets.

Entertainment, including Mexican folk musicians and salsa bands, strolling mariachis, folkloric dancers and flamenco artists, will be presented every afternoon through May 10 in The Cannery Courtyard.



Nathan Bailey, travel clerk, catches up on paperwork.

Photo by Tim Dewar



Presidio Thrift Shop supports youth programs

by Tim Dewar

A store, which sells second hand items on consignment, donated more money to Presidio youth activities than any other group on post last year.

The Thirft Shop, sells second-hand items for military personnel for only 20 percent of the cost of the items."

"The money," according to Mr. Bart Porter, Dependent Youth Activities (DYA) Director, "Goes to about 15 different youth activities as well as the Scouts.

"Last year they donated \$33,000 dollars to youth activities alone," Porter adds.

"The store has only four paid workers" according to Mrs. Adeline Michel, a Thrift Shop worker for 19 years, "the rest are volunteers, and it

takes about 13 volunteers to run the store per day. It fills a need I have to be with people and to try and help people," explains Michel.

"We have reasonably priced items," explains Charlene Bell, Thrift Shop volunteer and current post Citizen of the Quarter. "We have purses, clothing, appliances, color TV's, rugs, jewelry, watches and much more." Total donations to the Presidio, Bell estimates, totaled nearly \$40,000 last year.

"Anyone may donate items to the Thrift Shop, but only Military personnel and family members may submit items on consignment," says Mary Schuster, Thift Shop Volunteer, and Army Community Service (ACS), Volunteer Supervisor. The Thrift Shop is always looking for volunteers or merchandise. For more information contact the Thrift Shop at 561-3265.

file photo
Thrift Shop contributions provide athletic equipment and uniforms for dependent youth activities.



A customer browses through the goodies.

Photo by Tim Dewar



Almost anything is available.

Photo by Tim Dewar



Photo by Tim Dewar
Adeline Michel, assistant manager, helps price items.



Customers line up at the counter with their bargains.

Photo by Tim Dewar

A good recipe for any occasion

By K. Douglas Cook

Take a smaller-than-average Army post. To it, add two high-ranking presidential cabinet members complete with support staffs. Fold in a platoon of general officers and their aides. Blend with a rather large herd of reporters. Sprinkle with an assortment of onlookers and bake at various temperatures for over two months.

The Directorate of Plans, Training and Security's (DPTSEC) Operations Section probably doesn't have such a recipe on file, but it might seem that way to the casual observer!

Headed by Maj. Joseph Czuberki with principal assistance by Sgt. 1st Class Fred Winters, the Operations Section is called on daily to create an incredible array of events. These range from the most normal activities to the most complicated.

"Well, let's see what we might be called upon to set up," said Winters, taking a deep breath. "There are retreat ceremonies, honor ceremonies, off-post parades and on-post salutes... then there are Emergency Deployment Readiness Exercises (EDRE's), briefings and the use of our post salute battery.

"Oh, we're also the point-of-contact for the post's Operational Security (OPSEC) program... and any post details that need doing. Add our responsibility for the Emergency Operations Center (EOC), developing plans and readiness for the post and... oh yes, we also write narrations for ceremonies... I guess that's about it!"

Winters, a 12-year professional whose primary training is in the area of the Army's elite Special Forces reflects the studied confidence of a soldier who spent two and one-half years in Vietnam out in the "bush" as they say, allowed himself to relax for a moment.

The recent high-level talks between the Republic of Korea and the United States are over, but the stacks of paperwork still remain as silent reminders. While most people saw the various ceremonies and heard the glowing reports of how well this important event progressed, Winters was an integral member of the whole process.

"Major Czuberki, my boss, and I began planning for that conference over two months ago," said Winters. "He attended the initial meetings and we were off and running."

According to Winters, there were well over 150 military personnel assigned just to support the conference. Their jobs ranged from basic details such as moving furniture to such tasks as driving sedans, carrying flags, marching in the honors ceremony and greeting high government representatives.

"We drew personnel from every unit, agency and office on the Presidio. Then we went to Oakland Army Base and requested more. Regular military duties continue even when an event of this magnitude is held on post, so it takes a massive amount of coordination," said Winters.

When asked if such events cause him to lose sleep at night, the 34-year-old native of Akron, Ohio chuckled softly, "Sure. You plan, replan and try to think of every possible detail, but there's always that nagging thought that something will go haywire! Sometimes it's those last-minute changes which seem so innocent which drive you right up the wall."

Even as Winters spoke, his boss was off at another round of meetings, getting the facts straight for the upcoming Armed Forces Day parade to be held in downtown San Francisco. Added to that are several important honor ceremonies and the usual coordination of post details which go on daily all around the Presidio.

"It's seldom boring for us around here. There are five of us in the Operations Section and we somehow find things to keep us occupied!" Winters said in a joking manner. "For example, the conference which just ended had several variations. If it had been raining when it kicked off, we were prepared to move the whole thing inside the Main Post Gym, complete with protective carpeting."

Winters, who spends much of his off-duty time pursuing a full-time, evening college education in

Criminal Justice, also doubled as the primary briefer during the conference. He was quick to add that the job the Operations Section must do would be difficult, if not impossible, without the support of others on the Presidio.

"We pull together all the elements of a given ceremony, write the Letters of Instruction (LOI) and conduct the practices," Winters said, "but without the professional assistance of other people, it just wouldn't work as well. People like Master Sergeant Dan McGinley, the Operations Sergeant for the 504th Military Police Battalion, just to name one of many, do super jobs!"

If a person is looking for a place to go and put up their feet for a while, DPTSEC's Operations Section should be last on the list! Yet, even in the midst of all the action, Czuberki, Winters and the crew still have time to listen to a request, lend professional assistance and solve a problem. The rewards they receive in return might be a bit surprising at first.

"If an event, a detail or a ceremony goes well, without any hitches," reflected Winters as he reached to pick up a telephone which was ringing, "that's the payoff for us. That's what we're paid to do around here."



Czuberki (middle) briefs the Secretary of Defense and Korean Minister of Defense.

Photo by Bill Malkiel

Higher education is key to promotion

by Bill Craig

The value of a college education to a person who is making a career of the military service is increasing every year.

Not very long ago a high school diploma was all the civilian education the average soldier needed to successfully compete for promotion. Those who sought higher education were either planning to get out of the service or trying to get a commission as an officer.

In the years following Vietnam there was a great deal of talk on the subject of giving it more emphasis. But it wasn't until a couple of years ago that the promotion scoresheets actually started to reflect a gradual change giving more weight to civilian education.

According to senior Army officials, this trend will continue for a number of reasons. Army Vice Chief of Staff, Gen. John W. Vessey recently summed it up to a group of armed services educators, "We want to get a better Army to do the jobs the nation needs armies to do in a world that is much different than it was ten, twenty or forty years ago."

He added that, "During the next five to seven years, about 400 new, modern weapons systems will come into the Army's inventory." Vessey emphasized that with the new systems, the need for technical skill development will become much more critical.

Barbara Hugg, college program coordinator at the Presidio Education Center, advises soldiers stationed here to take advantage of the many educational opportunities that are available in the Bay Area.

She noted that a real problem faced by the soldier trying to complete college level studies is the transfer of credit between schools.

"Very often military people will enroll at a school and take a few courses and then receive transfer orders to another post. When they arrived at the new duty station and get enrolled in another school they find that some of the units they have already completed will not be accepted. It can be a frustrating experience."

This situation occurs frequently when there are only a limited num-

ber of programs available in the area in which the person is stationed. Hugg adds, "Normally the classes which are offered on post are those which match the interests and career needs of the majority of the soldiers on post."

Here at the Presidio for example, most of the on-post college programs relate to the medical and administrative fields because the largest number of people stationed here fall into those categories."

However, unlike many other posts, the educational opportunities available here are almost limitless according to Hugg. "There are 84 accredited colleges, universities, conservatories, art academies, and technical institutions in the Bay Area. They offer a wide range of degree programs, many of which are geared to the working adult."

She adds, "If a person is interested in pursuing a college program while they are assigned to the Presidio, the first step is to come in and visit with one of our counselors. This is important because we have the most up to date information on which schools

are offering courses of study that are most advantageous to military personnel.

"A guidance counselor is available to assist in program selection and to provide information on the different institutions. Once a decision has been made, the counselor will help the individual decide how to pay for his schooling.

Three types of financial benefits are available to military personnel who want to continue their education while in the service. Soldiers are, for the most part, eligible for at least one of them.

Under the Army Tuition Assistance Program, active duty personnel may have 75 percent of their tuition costs paid by the Army. In a policy change issued in December, the amount paid by the Army was raised to 90 percent for those E-5 and above with less than 15 years service.

Those applying for Tuition Assistance must insure that the completed applications (with the commander's signature for enlisted personnel) are

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Time to spare

Pro baseball tickets still available

There will be a **Presidio Chess Tournament** on June 6 & 7. Finalist will be considered for TDY at All-Service Chess Tournament. Please sign up as soon as possible.

TOURS

Great America tour on Saturday May 16, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Price of \$10.00 includes entrance ticket (\$11.95 value) plus transportation by commercial deluxe motorcoach.

Canoe trip on Russian River is planned for July 18. Price of \$15.00 includes bus transportation to and from Recreation Center, canoe, paddles, life-jackets, wine-tasting tour to the historic Italian Swiss Colony Winery and Chicken barbecue dinner. Sign-up by July 1.

ITT NEWS

Tickets now available and for sale:

Great American tickets—\$8.50 (Reg. \$11.95)

Marine World Africa/USA—\$6.75 Adults, \$4.75 Children (Reg. \$8.95 & \$5.95)

Baseball tickets—Sunday Games—Giants Box seats \$6.00—A's Reserve seats \$5.00

"Salutes the Military" Disneyland tickets \$7.50

Reno Hospitality Pack \$2.25

Diners Out Books (2 for 1) \$16.00 (Reg \$22.00)

Lion Country Safari tickets (In Irvine, CA) for \$4.25 adults (Reg \$5.95) and \$2.75 for children (Reg \$3.75)

For additional information concerning program activities call ext 2000. Ticket sales and distribution of discount coupons are available after 4:00 p.m.

Sign-up and payment deadlines are fast approaching for many of **Outdoor Recreations' Spring Programs**.

A **Backpacking trip** into **Emigrant Wilderness**, north of Yosemite, is planned for Memorial Day weekend, May 22-25. The cost is \$15.00 and sign-up/payment deadline is May 13.

A **Midweek rafting trip** down the **Stanislaus River** is planned for June 16 & 17. Cost is \$60.00 with sign-up/payment not later than May 16.

For detailed information about any of these activities call 561-4324/4356 or visit Outdoor Recreation at Bldg. 92 between 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The public is invited to attend the free **40th Annual Rose Show on Mothers Day**, Sunday May 10, 1-5 p.m. at the Hall of Flowers in Golden Gate Park.

The Hall of Flowers is located near Ninth Avenue and Lincoln Way in Golden Gate Park. It may be reached by the No. 10 Monterey, No. 71 Haight-Noriega and No. 72 Haight-Sunset Muni bus lines and is near the "N" Judah Muni streetcar line.

Last week we incorrectly reported that the price of a room at the Hale Koa Hotel in Hawaii for E-1 to E-5's was from \$2 to \$29 a night.

The correct price is from \$21 to \$29 a night. We are sorry for any inconvenience caused by the mistake.



Giants' pitcher, Doyl Alexander, in action last Sunday. Giants and A's tickets are available at the Recreation Center. Photo by John Green

The works of **Duke Ellington, Bud Powell, Horace Silver**, and others will be performed during San Francisco State's Spring jazz concert, Tuesday, May 12, at 8 p.m., in the McKenna Theatre at San Francisco State University.

State's new Jazz Combo and Big Band, both directed by music professor Gregory Yasinitsky, will perform "Un Poco Loco," by Bud Powell; "Nica's Dream," by Horace Silver; "Don't Get Around Much Anymore," by Duke Ellington, as well as works by Thad Jones, Henry Mancini, Wayne Shorter and SFSU student composers and arrangers. The program will also feature a new work composed especially for the Big Band entitled "West Jello Town," by Phil Klein, and works arranged and composed by Gregory Yasinitsky.

Tickets, \$3 general and \$1.50 for students, senior citizens and SFSU faculty, staff and Alumni Association members, are available at the Creative Arts Box Office, located in the Creative Arts building at State. For reservations and further information call the Box Office at (415) 469-2467.

A **Beginning Woodworking class** will start May 15. It will run every Friday evening from 6:30-9:30 p.m. for five weeks. This class is a prerequisite for use of woodworking tools and equipment and for Intermediate and Advanced Classes. Class fee: \$6.00. To register please stop by the Post Crafts Shop, Bldg. 122 or call 4497. Class size is limited.

The **Delta Cruise** between San Francisco and Sacramento, by water, is a unique experience. The Delta is one of the world's wonders, equal in area to the states of Connecticut, Delaware, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Rhode Island.

Enjoy the large bays—Suisun, San Pablo, and San Francisco (world's largest natural bay). The Delta was reclaimed, beginning a century ago, by Chinese coolies and now consists of some of the richest farming land in the world. The 886 islands range from 5' above sea level to 21' below sea level. Stretched end to end it's estimated the waterways of the Delta would reach from San Francisco to New York City. One thousand miles are navigable for pleasure cruisers and houseboats. It is no wonder the Delta is the world's greatest water playground.

Since there are parallel roads only on 12 of the 91-mile route from San Francisco to Sacramento, the sights are ones rarely seen: **Port Costa**, the 100-year-old ferry Garden City; the 52-year-old steamer **Delta King**; six giant refineries, closeup view of **Alcatraz** and **Angel Islands**; the Moth Ball Fleet; Suisun Bay and Marsh; the Dow Petrochemical site; Winehaven Winery; and the Castro Point Railroad.

At the end of the cruise there will be an opportunity to explore "**Old Sacramento**" which has been recently restored. It stands as a monument to the golden years of the riverboat, the Pony Express, the stagecoach, and the railroad. Forty-one historic buildings are restored into restaurants, bars, gift shops and art displays that recreate the spirit that was the "River City" a century and a quarter ago.

The price of \$28.50 includes: Pick-up at Presidio Recreation Center, boat accommodation, tour "Old Sacramento", and bus back to San Francisco. Sign up deadline is May 30.

Three San Francisco State University choirs—the General Chorus, Concert Choir, and Choral Union, will join the SFSU Symphony Orchestra and the San Francisco Golden Gate Girls' Chorus, to perform a concert on Sunday, May 17, at 3 p.m., in the McKenna Theatre at San Francisco State University. The concert is directed by professor of music Byron McGilvray.

At the movies

Presidio Theater

May 7	The Earthling (PG)	7 p.m.
May 8	The Earthling (PG)	7 p.m.
May 9	The Last Flight of Noah's Ark (G)	2 p.m.
May 10	Stir Crazy (R)	7 p.m.
May 11	Stir Crazy (R)	7 p.m.
May 12	Stir Crazy (R)	7 p.m.
May 13	Fade to Black (R)	7 p.m.
May 14	The Incredible Shrinking Woman (PG)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

May 7	FFOLKES (PG)	7 p.m.
May 8	The Stunt Man (R)	7 p.m.
May 11	The Earthling (PG)	7 p.m.
May 12	The Last Flight of Noah's Ark (G)	7 p.m.
May 13	Stir Crazy (R)	7 p.m.
May 14	Stir Crazy (R)	7 p.m.

Sports

Women's softball season to open

The 1981 Post Women's Softball Team will kick-off its season this week with a doubleheader against visiting Travis Air Force Base on Saturday at 1 p.m. at Fort Scott Field No. 1.

DYA baseball

The 1981 DYA Baseball program will begin Saturday with the opening ceremonies commencing at 8:30 a.m. at Pop Hicks Field. All parents and interested personnel are invited to attend.

Sign up's for the minor league (7-10 years), major league (11-12 years) and junior league (13-14 years) are still being taken. For additional information, contact Mr. Karl Gaffney at ext. 2070/5328.

Six-mile run

For soldiers and their families who may need help in times of trouble, the Army Emergency Relief is counting on you to support the people who count on them. Bring your family and friends and tour the grounds of the historic Presidio on foot. Whatever your pace, you'll be a winner in the eyes of AER! Starting area will be the Post Gym No. 1 Bldg. No. 63. This run is a six mile run through the Presidio. A minimum donation of \$3.00 is requested. Donations are tax deductible. Race day is Saturday, May 23 at 9 a.m. For additional information, contact Mr. Bob Darling at Post Gym No. 1, Bldg. No. 63.

Golf results

Results as of April 30, 1981 are as follows:

USAG, 5 vs 6th ARMY 1, 4
ARR IX, 3 vs 6th ARMY 2, 6
LAIR 2 vs 504th MP BN, 4
LAIR 1, 5½ vs OARB, 3½

Low net score of the day was posted by Kenneth Volk, LAIR 1, with a 63.

Education

turned in at least three days before the school term begins. The application must be for a specific course which does not extend past the soldier's separation date.

Most of those who came into the Army before January 1, 1977, and are currently on active duty are entitled to 45 full-time months of **GI-Bill educational benefits** from the Veterans Administration.

While on active duty, the GI-Bill benefits normally cover only the cost of tuition for part-time students. The entitlements used are subtracted from the 45 month limit at a fraction of the full-time rate.

The third and newest financial aid to soldier-students is the **Veterans Educational Assistance Program**. It is voluntary for those who are not covered under the GI-Bill because they came on active duty after January 1, 1977. The program consists of a series of bonuses and matching funds added by the Army to a basic contributions made by the individual.

Several on-post courses of study are offered at the Ft. Scott and Letterman Educational Centers. Among them are:



The AER fund drive run will be held May 23 at the post gym.

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Current league standings are as follows:

Team	For	Against	Matches Played
ARR IX	40	23	7
6th ARMY 1	29½	15½	5
LAIR 1	29½	24½	6
6th ARMY 2	28½	25½	6
USAG	23½	30½	6
OARB	16	20	4
504th MP BN	14	22	4

Tennis club

The Presidio Tennis Club is reorganizing with a round robin tennis fun day on Saturday, May 16.

They are looking for old members and new members who are interested in both competitive and non-competitive tennis. On hand will be George Collier, certified professional at the Stockton Tennis Club, to explain the benefits of our new USTA membership.

Tennis will be free and refreshments will be provided. Action will start at 9 a.m. but late-risers are welcome to come and play. If you plan to come or want more info, call CPT Jim Carroll at ext. 4214/4391 or 346-5227 (evenings).

Rec equipment

Individuals renting equipment from Outdoor Recreation are reminded that it is the users responsibility to return equipment on time. Double rental fees go into effect on all rental equipment the day following the due in date.

Extensions will be granted up to a maximum of 14 days, however extensions will not be permitted unless the user calls Outdoor Recreation at 561-4324 to extend.

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On-Post Undergraduate Courses

Certificate in Supervisory Practices: The seven business courses required to obtain this certificate are conducted by City College of San Francisco at the Ft. Scott Education Center. Enrollment is open to two groups: those who desire to prepare for promotion to supervisory rank and those who are employed as supervisors and want to add to their competence.

Business Courses: A variety of business courses in addition to the supervisory course mentioned above are also conducted by City College at the Presidio. Classes are held in the evenings and some are held on weekends.

Courses conducted by City College are free of charge to California residents. Military personnel and their adult dependents who are not California residents qualify for tuition-free courses the first year they are assigned to the Presidio.

General Studies: San Francisco State University conducts a variety of undergraduate courses at the Ft.

Scott and Letterman Education Centers. Courses scheduled enabled students to earn lower division and some upper division credit for general studies requirements.

Courses are held two nights a week, Monday and Wednesday or Tuesday and Thursday, from 6:00-9:00 p.m. for an eight-week term. Tuition assistance is available for eligible personnel.

On-Post Graduate Courses

Public Administration in Health Services Management: This master's degree program, offered by Golden Gate University, provides an opportunity for those engaged in careers in the public health sector—hospitals, nursing homes, clinics, and their related professions and services—to acquire the theoretical knowledge and specialized skills they need to perform effectively as managers. The Curriculum is designed to develop proficiency in a broad range of skills essential to the effective management of public health facilities.

Another program available here in the Bay Area is the **Servicemem-**

bers' Opportunity Colleges Associate Degree (SOCAD) Program. The Army will soon add 21 new degree program in technical fields related to certain MOS's and career management fields. Three curriculums already implemented are Law Enforcement, Aviation Maintenance, and Communications Electronics.

In each program an individual may be awarded credit for technical skills achieved through military service. Individuals may transfer credit from one SOCAD school to another. More than 300 schools are participating in SOCAD.

Servicemembers' Opportunity Colleges (SOC): These schools have committed themselves to certain policies designed to minimize the difficulties which military personnel face when attempting to complete college degrees. The following SOC colleges and universities offer courses and programs in the Bay Area: College of Alameda, Columbia College, Diablo Valley College, Golden Gate University, Pepperdine University, San Francisco State University.

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Life savers

The Post Swimming Pool, Bldg. 1151, will offer a course in Advanced Life Saving to commence on or about May 15, 1981. The course will consist of ten, one hour lessons given once a week at the Post Swimming Pool.

Upon completion of the course, individuals will be certified by the Red Cross and qualified for a position as a pool lifeguard. Pre-registration is required.

For additional information, contact Mr. Ray Mey at the Post Swimming Pool, ext. 3673.

Pool panes

The Post Swimming Pool, Bldg. 1151 will be closed today for repairs to windows and window panes.

Adult enrichment

How can a person be fully human and fully Christian at the same time? That is the goal of the Adult Enrichment Seminars for Women meeting at the Religious Activities Center on Tuesdays at 1 p.m. Please call 3535 for information.

Craft sale

On Saturday the Creative Cottage will be open for business!

Come and find that special gift for Mother and at the same time support our local artists.

The shop will be open from 10 a.m. till 2 p.m. and is located across from the main entrance of LAMC in Bldg. 558.

Our regular business hours are: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 11 a.m. till 3:30 p.m. and every first Saturday of the month from 10 a.m. till 2 p.m.

Final meeting

Letterman Women's Clubs' final meeting of the 1980-1981 season will take place on May 14th at the Marin Art and Garden Center in Ross.

A luncheon will be held at the Ross Garden Restaurant at 11:30 a.m. followed by a lecture on the historical sites in Marin County.

In addition to the program, new officers for 1981-1982 will be installed and the LWC "Woman of the Year" will be announced.

Reservations must be made before noon on Monday.

In San Francisco call Elly Barry 561-4610, Barbara Jennings 561-4039, or Barbara Dahl 561-3603. In Marin call Bernice See at 897-0851.

Bay to Breakers

In what might be termed as success run wild, the annual "Bay To Breakers Run" has grown to immense proportions!

The run from San Francisco Bay to the Pacific Ocean may set a world's record for participants with an anticipated 30,000 runners! There is, however, one remaining, nagging problem.

The run needs volunteers to help at the water stations located in Golden Gate Park. The assistance is needed from 6:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 17th. People finding the time to help out in this worthwhile cause will become part of this historic event.

If you're interested in spending a few hours helping others while

watching what might be the most incredible array of runners ever assembled, call the Army Community Services at 561-5156.

Military ball

Navy, Army, Air Force, Marine Corps and Coast Guard personnel and civilian friends of the armed services are invited to attend the Combined Armed Forces Ball hosted by the Navy at Treasure Island on May 16.

The evening begins with a cocktail hour at 7 p.m., followed by a buffet dinner and entertainment. Dinner will conclude with the cutting of a 10-foot Armed Forces Week cake. Dance music will be provided by two live bands—the Navy Band of San Francisco and the Sixth Army Band from the Presidio.

The event is open to all military officers and enlisted members, both

active and reserve, and to civilian friends of the Armed Forces. Dress is military dinner dress or civilian black tie. Tickets are \$16.50 per person and \$33 per couple. Tables of ten may be reserved for 10 or more people. Attendance is limited to the first 800 reservations.

For information or reservations, contact Jerry Armosino at the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce 892-4511.

Diabetic seminar

A two day seminar for diabetic patients and their family members will be held at Letterman Army Medical Center on May 14 and 21. The seminar will be in Torney Hall, Bldg. 1100, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The most current information on diabetes will be presented by nurse

practitioners, dietitians, physicians and the podiatrist. There is no fee for the seminar but refreshments and lunch will be at the attendees own expense.

Register now if you plan to attend by calling Mrs. Omega at 561-2689, or 561-3831. Non-registered persons will be admitted on a space available basis. Don't miss this opportunity to learn what you can do to help manage your own health.

Executive seminar

The Executive Seminar scheduled for today has been postponed until May 28.

It will be held at the Enlisted NCO Club, Bldg. 135, PSF, 8:00 a.m. to noon.

Persons scheduled for today will be rescheduled by HRDD for the May 28 class.

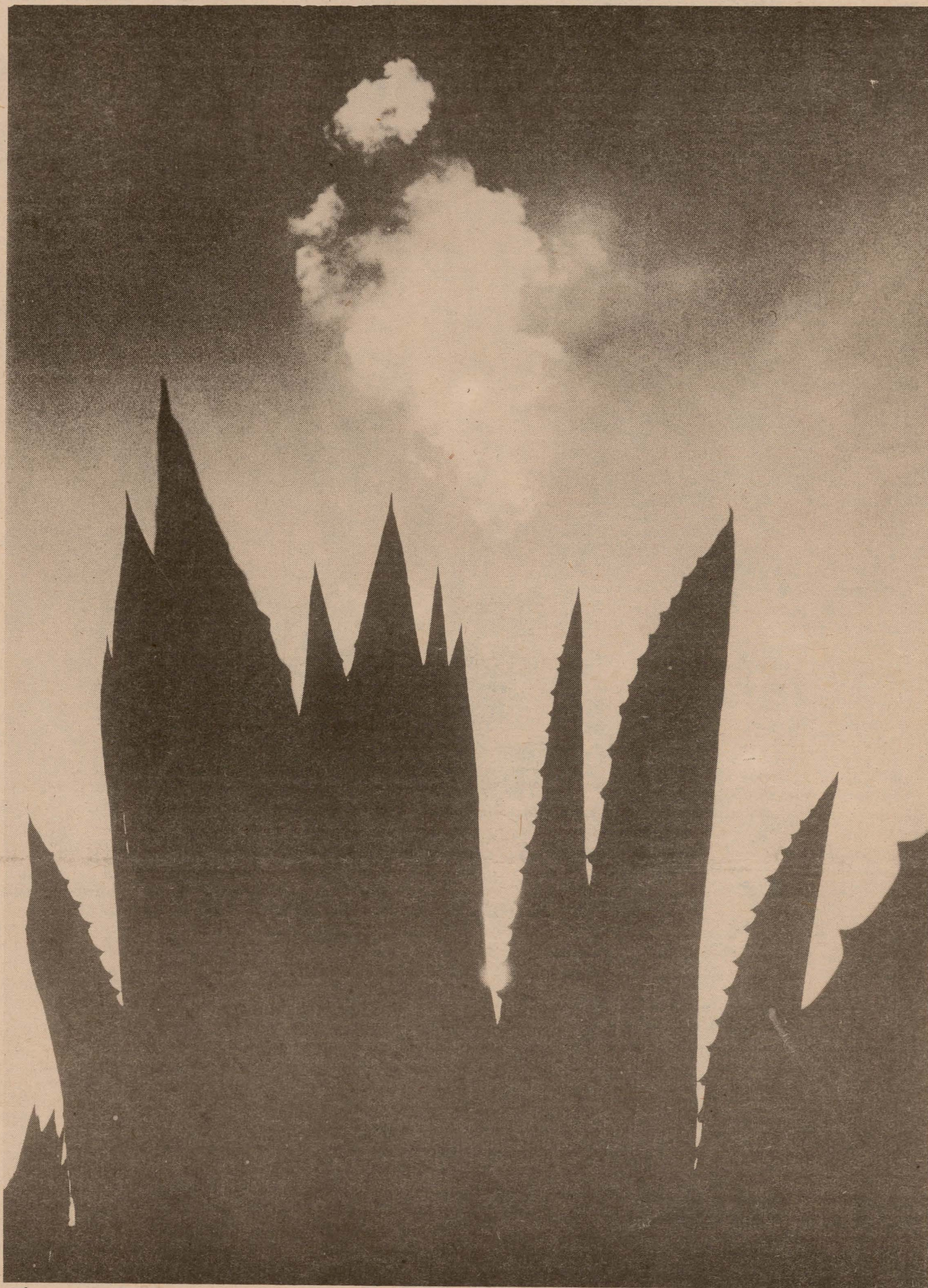


Photo of the Week

John Green took this week's Photo of the Week honors with his cactus skyline shot. If you would like to submit photos for judging, send them to Bldg. 37, Rm. 216.

Photos can be returned if a self addressed stamped envelope is provided.

Restricted parking on post tomorrow

Armed Forces week activities will be taking place at various locations throughout the city this weekend as well as here on the Presidio.

Several major events will be held in the vicinity of the main post flagpole tomorrow. Along with bringing a lot of excitement, the festivities will severely restrict parking for post residents and employees.

Beginning today there will be no parking on the south end of the Main Parade Ground. Effective at midnight tonight no parking will be

allowed on the Main Parade Ground west of the Bicentennial Tree. The Post Theater lot, or the Officers' Club lot north of Pena Street.

Limited parking will be available in the Main Parade Ground east of the Bicentennial Tree and on the southern half of the Officers' Club lot. All vehicles in the restricted areas after midnight will be subject to a \$50 citation and towing charge.

Among the major activities slated for this week are a static display featuring the Army's newest helicop-

ter the Blackhawk, to be held near the Main Post Flag Pole tomorrow. There will also be a meeting of the Young Influencers in the afternoon.

The San Francisco Armed Forces Day Parade gets underway at 11:30 a.m. tomorrow on California and Montgomery Streets. There will be units from all of the military services represented including the Commanders Guard from the Army 3rd Infantry "Old Guard".

A joint services exhibit will be on display from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Civic Center and Justin Park. The

Marine Drum and Bugle Corps will perform in concert at 1 p.m. at Crown Zellerback.

On Saturday joint services exhibits will be held at Marina Green, Aquatic Park, Pier 39, Ghirardelli Square, and Pier 45 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

At 10:30 the 91st Division Bagpipe Band will land at Aquatic Park and board a cable car at the turnaround point. They will ride up the line playing as they go. At 1 p.m. the Sixth Army Band will perform in Ghirardelli Square.

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Crash claims life of cyclist Monday

A 21 year old resident of New York state died as a result of injuries suffered in an accident which occurred on Crissy Field Road early Monday morning.

Guy Everett, a native of Albany, New York was riding his ten-speed bicycle down the hill on Crissy Field Road at approximately 7:20 a.m. when he collided head on with a car driver by Alfred Flowers, 61, of San Francisco.

The impact caused Everett to be thrown into the windshield and hood of Flower's car. He landed on the pavement several feet behind the car, according to a witness at the scene after the accident.

Everett, who had been visiting his brother, Richard Everett, of San Francisco, was taken to Letterman Army Medical Center where he was pronounced dead shortly before 11 a.m. Cause of death was listed as massive neurological injuries.

The cause of the accident is being investigated by the Military Police and the Federal Bureau of Investigations. It was the first traffic accident involving a fatality to occur on the Presidio since December, 1978.



Presidio firefighters rush Everett to a waiting ambulance.

Photo by John Green

Reserve helicopter takes a plunge into San Francisco Bay

An Army UH-1H Helicopter, attached to the 343rd Medical Detachment out of Hamilton Air Force Base went down in San Francisco Bay on Thursday.

The two US Army Reserve pilots, Maj. David Jarrat, 44, of Ignacio, Calif. and Maj. Roberto Campos, 37, of Livermore, Calif. escaped uninjured before the aircraft sank.

They were enroute to Alameda Naval Air Station when the accident occurred. It was a routine training flight.

Campos and Jarrat were rescued by a Spirit Air Lines helicopter which is leased to KPIX Television (Channel 5) in San Francisco. They were flown to Oakland International Airport where they were picked up by the Coast Guard and taken to Hamilton Air Force Base.

The Aircraft was located in some thirty feet of water approximately two miles west of runway 29 at Oakland International. On Saturday a Chinook helicopter from the California National Guard unit in Stockton was used to pull the Huey out of the water and transport it to the Alameda Naval Air Station.

Skill Qualification Test

Tips on how to get prepared

Now that firm dates have been established for Skill Qualification Tests (SQT) for the remainder of the calendar year, unit should be in the final stages of preparing their soldiers for their tests.

Over 400 soldiers in 25 military occupational specialties (MOS) were tested during the first quarter, according to 1st Lt. Gregory Martin, Presidio Training Standards Officer. Most of those tested so far were LAMC personnel holding medical specialties.

Martin reports that test results achieved so far this year have shown a significant improvement over last year's scores. He attributes the improved scores to increased command emphasis and NCO participation in training and preparing their soldiers for the SQT.

"Training plans, mini-SQTs, and workshops on how to study were set up by LAMC SQT coordinator, SFC Deanna Johnson. These formed all the elements of a well-coordinated training program from which the individuals and ultimately, the Army, will benefit," says Martin.

According to Martin, more than 900 Presidio soldiers in 30 MOS's will take SQT's during the remainder of 1981. The major MOS's represented on the Presidio such as Administrative, Military Police and Supply specialties will be included.

Martin recommends that all units develop a

training program similar to the one in use at LAMC if they have not done so already. He recognizes that some individuals, especially those with MOS's that are not represented in large numbers, may have to prepare themselves on their own. He offers the following guidelines to assist individuals in preparation for SQT:

1. Study your SQT notice and soldier's manual. If you don't have these materials, see your SQT coordinator/training NCO. You are required to have your notice at least 60 days prior to testing.
2. Work the sample problems in the SQT notice.
3. Visit the post Learning Resources Center located in Bldg. 1218. It has a wide selection of Reference material, TEC tapes and other training aids to help you study for your SQT.
4. If you have difficulty with any of the tasks in your manual, seek help from your co-workers or your supervisor.
5. Organize SQT study groups with your friends and co-workers.
6. Suggest SQT topics to your NCOIC or training NCO for unit training sessions.

Martin stresses that the key to success on the SQT is adequate preparation. Units or individuals desiring more information can contact the Evaluation and Testing branch at ext. 561-6182.

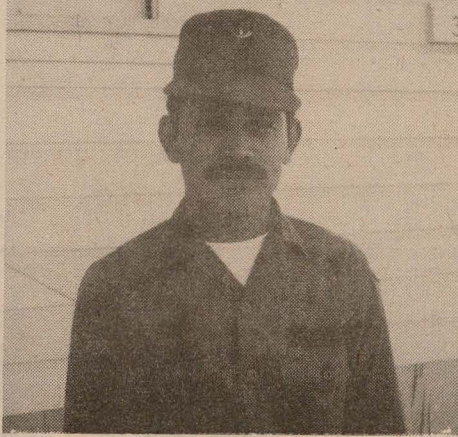
Opinion

Ramblin' Sam

Do you plan to make the Army your career?



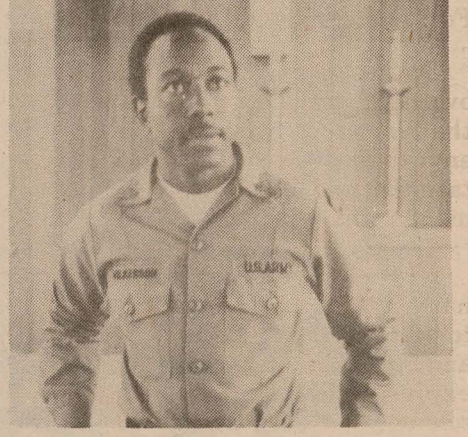
PFC Willa Barber TMP "Yes I'm going to make the Army a career because I will benefit and so will my family because the education is good and the benefits are well worth it."



Sp4 Edward Navarro HHC 504th MP Bn. "I would stay in but my family doesn't like it. We don't make enough money, especially for housing."



PFC Lorenzo Rodriguez HQ Co. USAG. "I would be more enthused about making the Army a career if the pay was better and if the GI Bill were reinstated."



Sp5 Lester Wilkerson Chaplains Assistant. "No, I have other plans to further my education and get back into the medical field. I think the military is an excellent vehicle for those who don't have future plans."

Nature's own way of getting even

by K. Douglas Cook

Couldn't help but notice the front page blurb which ran in the evening daily about a group of musicians who terminated the wretched life of a photocopier with a sledgehammer.

Back in the olden days, our ancestors had only to contend with bears, snakes and the occasional bandit. We, on the other hand, have to deal with unliving, unyielding and unruly machines! Machines are, in case you didn't know, nature's way of getting even.

Although we legally aren't sup-

posed to beat the bearings out of offensive machines, there are several lovely thoughts we can share with a mental sledgehammer in mind.

Consider the machines found in coin-operated laundries. 50¢ allows you the privilege of selecting whether your clothes will be ripped to shreds normally or with a delicate touch! The dryers, a thrill for only two-bits, offer wrinkles at a variety of temperatures.

Then there's that marvelous soda dispensing machine at your local self-service cafeteria. The entire 82nd Airborne Division can use this

machine without problems. You and I, however, will get a frothy liquid which tastes like carbonated motor oil!

Every time I approach a drink machine located in the lobby of a building—you know, the type which drops a miniature paper cup—I just know it's gonna get me! Either I fail to push all the proper buttons... coffee with light and sugar... extra light... extra sugar... no ice... extra strong... (that's 5 fingers requiring a hand which is 17 inches wide) or I listen to the machine merrily hummm away, dispensing first the drink... then the cup!

Who can neglect those beloved machines the city puts about every 20 feet along the streets. Sometimes they come in pairs and you can almost hear them snickering when you pull up. For 50 cents, you can get 2 hours, 2 minutes, a yellow "expired" sign or the jackpot... nothing! Those people who ride around in the convertible motorcycles love these machines.

Ever attempt to use a coin and dollar bill changer. Sure, it looks simple enough, but try to put old George's face in correctly. First the machine sucks it out of your hand and, in a fit of anger, spits it back out at you! If you finally manage to convince this machine the bill is, cross your heart, a real dollar bill, it then assaults your midsection with coins propelled at the speed of sound!

One of my favorite machines is found in motel rooms. Somehow it is connected to the bed and is named for its alleged ability to massage your aches and pains away. Insert several coins and...! Okay, insert several more coins and... hold on to your hat

'cause the surf's up! Sure your backache has disappeared. Who can be thinking of a minor back pain when looking for an air sick bag?

Another "fav" of mine (as Chuckie Barris would say) is found along the highways and byways of this great land. You're hot and dusty as you enter the restroom of a service station. There it waits complete with a sign inviting you to "Freshen Up" with a variety of scents.

Expecting a paper towlette with some "thanks, I needed that," a quarter gets you squirted in the kisser by something even a very angry skunk would find repulsive!

Perhaps the most insidious machine known to peopledom is very near and dear to my heart. It lurks on street corners, in lobbies and near restaurants. Its window offers you the smallest glimpse of the day's events. So you and I dig deeply to find the correct combination of coins (odds are pretty good you won't have them—I never do), and with great faith, drop them into the various slots, as directed.

A gentle tug on the handle should produce a paper. This gentle tug turns into a forceful jerk, followed by a two-handed heave (that's why these machines are anchored in 1-ton blocks of cement), quickly followed by two hands, two feet and angry screams! No paper, no coins. You have a severely strained lower back and an audience of three little kids.

You might note, we at the **Star Presidian** do not have such machines. We offer you this newspaper free of any charge. Besides, a portion of our patrons have been known to be armed with a lot more than sledgehammers!

Red Cross enters second century of service to mankind everywhere

Centennials occur with increasing frequency these days—an indication that the nation is maturing.

They give organizations an opportunity to celebrate, to call to mind their histories, to extend to people an invitation to join them in marching into the future. The American Red Cross has reached that milestone.

Over the last 100 years, the Red Cross has made an indelible impression on America. Whether you love the Red Cross or are indifferent to it, it is hard to ignore in times of national calamities. But like other great American institutions, it is often taken for granted simply because it has been around so long.

In some cases, the red cross symbol brings nothing more to mind than first aid supplies, ambulances, or even commercial products—being mistaken for everything but what it is: the symbol of the nation's largest voluntary service organization.

Volunteers strengthen the backbone of the Red Cross. They are more than what is usually their image, that is, either elderly ladies in flowing white uniforms patiently rolling bandages, or smiling young women handing out coffee and donuts on some battlefield. They are us. They often hold down a full-time job as housewife, executive, nurse, laborer, or student, or they may be retired or imprisoned.

Their motive is universal—to seek

satisfaction in their lives through meaningful service to humanity—and they do it free. Theirs is the greatest gift, the gift of self. Volunteers believe that "service is the rent one pays for one's room on earth."

The American Red Cross has distinguished itself at home and abroad over the years, rendering relief in times of disaster, counseling military personnel and veterans and their families, nursing the sick and the injured, involving youth, teaching first aid and water safety, and providing blood and blood derivatives for the desperately ill.

As it enters its second century of service, the Red Cross will continue to seek the support of the people to carry on its work. Success will depend on how well it meets America's changing needs.

For the American Red Cross, the past 100 years are only the beginning. One need only reflect on what the world would be like without a Red Cross to see why. As Clara Barton, founder of the American Red Cross, put it in 1904, "It is not in its past that the glories of the benefits of the Red Cross lie, but in the possibilities it has created for the future; in the lessons it has taught; in the avenues to humane effort it has opened... that shall constitute a bulwark against the mighty woes sure to come sooner or later to all people and all nations." (Provided by the Presidio Chapter of the American Red Cross)

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Summer camp openings now available

by Bill Craig

The Yosemite Institute has announced that openings are available for children 8-12 years of age in its Pacific Summer 1981 program to be held at the Headlands Campus in Fort Cronkite.

Day trips, sailing, field hikes, and overnight camping are featured in the five day program which stresses environmental education. Transportation to and from the campus is furnished each day.

Under the guidance of professional naturalists, children are introduced to the natural history of the coast and bayshore lands. Participants also explore the maritime arts and sciences with expert guidance.

Pacific Summer consists of a series of day trips as well as an overnight camp at the Point Reyes National Seashore. Besides exploratory nature hikes throughout the Headlands coast and Golden Gate National Recreation Area, several field trips are planned.

There will be trips to Point Reyes, the Maritime Museum, historic ships at the Hyde Street Pier, Marin Miwok Museum the Miwok Village, and US Coast Guard and Maritime Academy facilities.

A half day sailing trip on a large, well equipped sailboat is also planned. All of the five-day sessions are

conducted under the supervision of Yosemite Institute Naturalist instructors.

Located amid 100,000 acres of wild coastal lands, the Headlands Campus of the Yosemite Institute is a superb field study site.

Part of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area, just across the Golden Gate Bridge from the Presidio, the campus fronts the Pacific Ocean. It is adjacent to a lovely lagoon which is fed by both fresh and salt water.

The area offers a fantastic array of diverse habitats. Deer, racoon, water fowl, shore birds, birds of prey, and other varieties of wildlife abound. Occasionally, grey fox, bobcat, sea lion, and whales can be seen.

Campus facilities include dormitory space for 100, semi-private rooms for 50, two conference rooms, laboratory and darkroom. There is also a family-style dining hall and a large theater.

Eight sessions are planned for this summer, running from June 15 through August 28. The fee of \$99 includes instruction, transportation, entry fees, sailing, and field trips. Students must bring their own lunches.

For more information on the Pacific Summer Program, call the Yosemite Institute office at ext. 561-7631.



Yosemite Institute photo

The Yosemite program stresses environmental education.

Army plans for west coast corps released

The Department of the Army announced plans Friday to establish a new corps headquarters at Fort Lewis, Wash. in early 1982.

The new corps will be named I Corps and brings the number of corps headquarters in the U. S. to three. The other two are the III Corps at Fort Hood, Texas, and the XVIII Airborne Corps located at Fort Bragg, N.C.

I Corps will be a subordinate command of Headquarters, U. S. Army Forces Command located in Atlanta. Corps headquarters will consist of an active Army headquarters company and corps support units will initially be provided by the National Guard and Army reserves.

Activation of the new corps headquarters is designed to improve command and control, mobilization planning and reserve component integration.

Initial plans call for I Corps to command Ft. Lewis, the 9th Infantry Division located at Ft. Lewis and all U. S. Army forces at that post. The corps will also supervise training and planning for at least two additional combat divisions in the U. S. and will participate in contingency planning for the 8th U. S. Army in Korea and Western Command in Hawaii.

The manner in which I Corps will interface with 6th U. S. Army, headquartered here at the Presidio, has yet to be announced.

The designation of 'I Corps' was previously used by a combined Korean and American Army headquarters until Mar. 1980 when the name was changed to 'Combined Field Army' and the I Corps title was retired. The new I Corps at Ft. Lewis will use the flag and historical memorabilia of the old I Corps.

The previous 6th U. S. Army commander, Lt. Gen. Eugene Forrester, departed the Presidio in Nov. 1979 to take command of the old I Corps in Korea. Forrester still commands the Combined Field Army.

At one time during the planning of what was then being called the 'West Coast Corps,' the Presidio, along with Ft. Lewis and Ft. Ord, Calif., were considered as possible sites for the location of the new corps headquarters. Had the Presidio been named as the location, the Public Health Hospital on 19th Ave. was to house the corps headquarters.

The hospital is to be closed sometime this summer as part of President Reagan's budget cuts. A study is now being done by post personnel to determine what would be the best utilization of the facility which will be completely vacant by early fall.

Joint rescue effort saves Italian citizen

An Italian citizen, Rina Massaglia, was medically evacuated from a freighter more than 650 miles out to sea on Tuesday and brought to Crissy Field at the Presidio.

It was a joint effort by the Coast Guard, the Air Force, the California Air National Guard, and Letterman Army Hospital. The long flight required in-flight refueling of the Guard helicopter by Air Force aircraft.

The patient was treated for an intestinal disorder at LAMC and is reported to be in good condition.

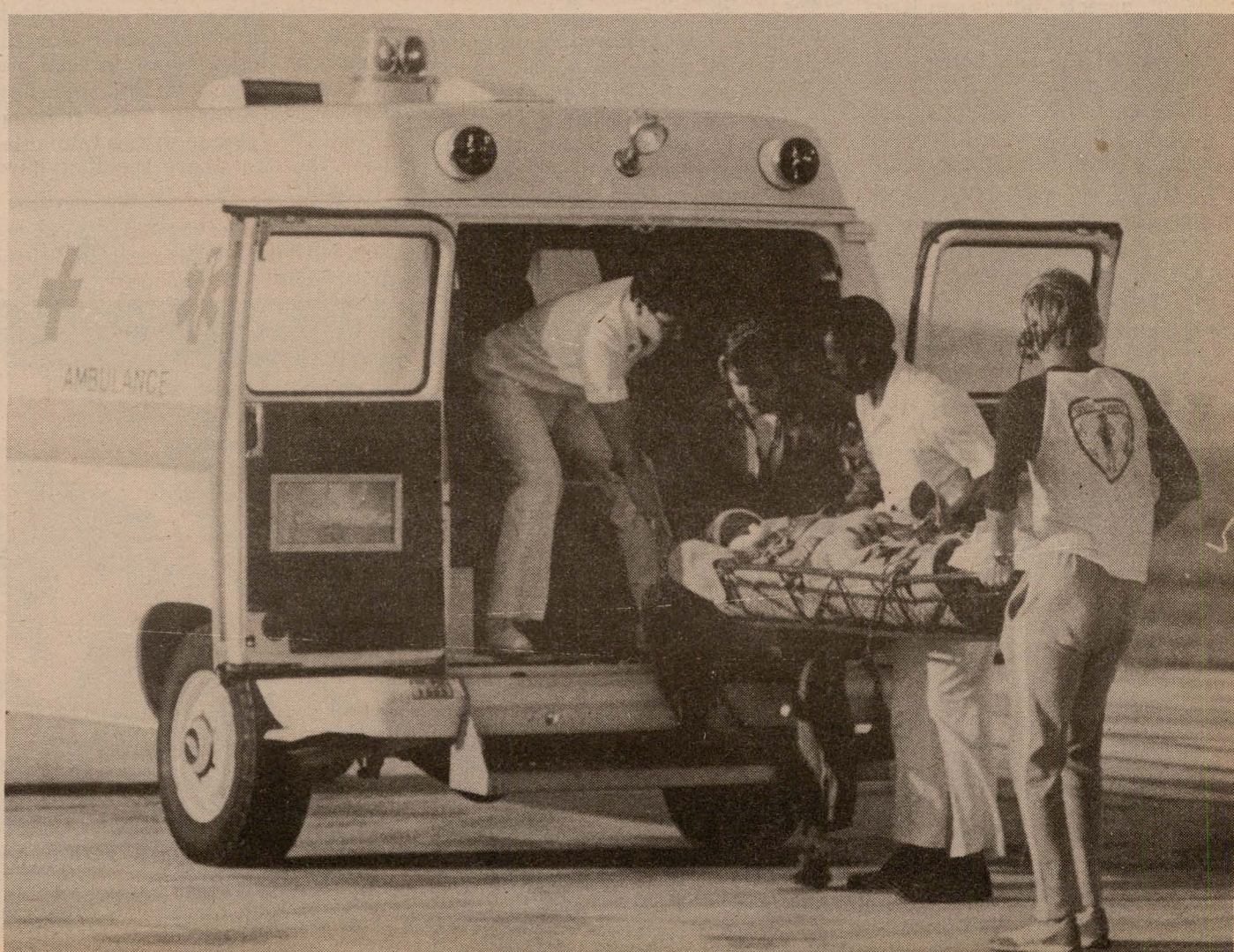


Photo by Tim Dewar

Asian-Americans-a proud heritage

by K. Douglas Cook

If the impartial observer were to name the one factor which enriches and unifies the United States of America, it would surely be our diversity of people.

Unlike many countries around the world, America truly lives up to its reputation as being the melting pot of humanity. We are tall and short, fair of feature and ebony of complexion. Our last names reflect every ethnic origin, every nationality and every family tradition.

Among those who have made this country strong are those we title Asian-Pacific Americans. These are people who can trace their rich heritage back through thousands of years.

Many adjectives have been used to describe the variety of people who come under the Asian-Pacific category. Unfortunately, through the upheaval of war and a general ignorance of traditional values, more than just a few words and phrases have been less than flattering or accurate.

America saw the first massive influx of Asian-Pacific peoples during a time when the country was flexing its industrial muscles. By the mid-1800's, thousands of Asian-Pacific laborers populated the western portion of America. Their penchant for hard work and frugality gave rise to many of the social notions which still remain today.

As America grew, so did the population of Asian-Pacific people, the majority of whom, by sheer force of geographic location to the Pacific Basin, settled in most of the western states and territories.

By the early 1900's, these proud people had become an interwoven part of our national fabric. Roy Mori, whose parents migrated from Japan as youths and later married in California, typifies the current Asian-Pacific community member.



Mori talks with a fellow employee.

Photo by Tim Dewar

"I was born in Watsonville at a time when it was a major agricultural area of California," says Mori, a 35-year veteran of federal service and currently chief of the Management-Employee Relations Branch of Civilian Personnel. "Although I was statistically a minority in my hometown in those days, I never felt or was made to feel any differently."

The fortunes of war changed dramatically, altered Roy's life and the lives of many thousands of other Asian-Pacific Americans. "December 7th, 1941 holds a lot of meaning for me. When the Imperial Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor, my family and I suddenly found ourselves facing what the Army called a relocation camp!"

Asian-Pacific Americans, many of whom knew no other country but

America, and particularly people of Japanese descent, were detained and placed under close confinement. It was from this dark period of American history that the famous "Go For Broke," 442nd Regimental Combat Team evolved.

One of America's most decorated combat units, the 442nd is the focal point of a year-long display at the Presidio museum. The unit's uniqueness is that it was composed of almost 100 percent Asian-Pacific Americans.

In 1942, Mori and his family ended up in Tule Lake, California behind a barbed wire fence. "There were some of us who understood why this was happening, but others were very bitter. I just decided that this wasn't the place for me to be and, by 1943, found

a job in Ogden, Utah as a farm worker," Mori recalled.

Mori and many others were allowed to leave the camps under the provisions that they did not return to the three western states of California, Oregon or Washington and that they could locate a job. Mori seized the opportunity.

"From that first job in Ogden, I went to Minneapolis, working in a candy factory and then to Denver, finally finding a job in a lumber factory which made wooden ammunition boxes for the military," Mori remembered with a brief smile. "In October, 1944, I received a greetings from the Army and found myself at Camp Blanding, Florida in Infantry Basic Training!"

Fate produces some strange arrangements as Mori was assigned to the Presidio of Monterey, California as a member of a Civil Affairs unit. "There I was, full-circle back in California, setting up the framework for occupational military governments! My travel wasn't restricted and I was still the same person of Japanese descent."

Today, Roy Mori has placed all of that behind him, like many other Asian-Pacific Americans who suffered like experiences. "Sure, I'm of Japanese heritage... an Asian if you prefer, but I don't dwell on my appearance or ancestry."

The greatness of any civilization is the sum total of its parts. America is a land of many colors and many heritages. As the contributions of Asian-Pacific Americans have been honored this month, it is perhaps fitting that one single statement of fact made by Roy Mori be remembered.

"I am an American. This is my country."

Kitty Hawk pilots honored at Ft. Baker

The father and son pilots of the first transcontinental helium filled balloon flight were honored in anniversary ceremonies Tuesday at Fort Baker.

Maxie Anderson and his son Kris, residents of Albuquerque, New Mexico, were special guests of honor during ceremonies marking the anniversary of their historical flight. The place of the ceremony was only a few feet from where their flight originated a little over a year ago.

It was shortly after midnight on May 8, 1980 that the Andersons lifted off into the dark, silent skies

over Fort Baker aboard their now famous craft, the Kittyhawk. Within seconds, amid the cheers of hundreds of well-wishers and the 20 or so ground crew members, the Kittyhawk disappeared into the blackness of the night.

Nearly one hundred hours later and having traveled a distance of 2,823 miles at altitudes averaging 24,000 feet, the Kittyhawk, a 200,000 cubic foot polyethylene helium filled envelope with attached gondola, gently touched down at St. Felice, Quebec, Canada. The time was 7:26 a.m., May 12, 1980.

The ceremony honoring the fight

recently formed Western Aerospace Museum, Corte Madera, California. Presiding over the occasion was the museum's chairman, Maj. Gen. Rollin Moore, USAF (Ret).

It was Moore who presented to Maxie a plaque commemorating the historical flight. Maxie in turn presented the plaque to Maj. Gen. Fred Lawson, Commander, 91st Division, USAR. The plaque will be implanted near the site where the Kittyhawk lifted off.

Following the presentation of the historical plaque, Maxie unfolded the green and gold guidon of the 504th

Military Police Bn. explaining that this was the one that had accompanied he and his son on their fight across the continent. Capt. Gary Wood, Commander, Headquarters Company, 504th MP Bn. came forward to regain the guidon.

Maxie also returned to military control another significant item. He presented to Lawson the banner which adorned the Kittyhawk gondola throughout the entire trip. Clearly written on the banner were words in appreciation of America's armed forces and even more legible, the slogan "Go Army, Army Reserves."



Maxie signals thumbs-up before he and Kris took off last year.

Photo by Jon Chelgren

Drug testing increased

Urine testing has been increased on the Presidio and other Army Installations to offset an expected increase in drug availability.

US Army Forces Command (FORSCOM) officials recently warned that the availability of cocaine and heroin is on the rise and emphasized that there is a need for commanders to use more urinalysis testing to identify and deter drug abusers.

Major Robert McKenzie, chief of the Presidio Human Resources Development Division, reports that use of urine testing had already been increased here when the message was received from FORSCOM.

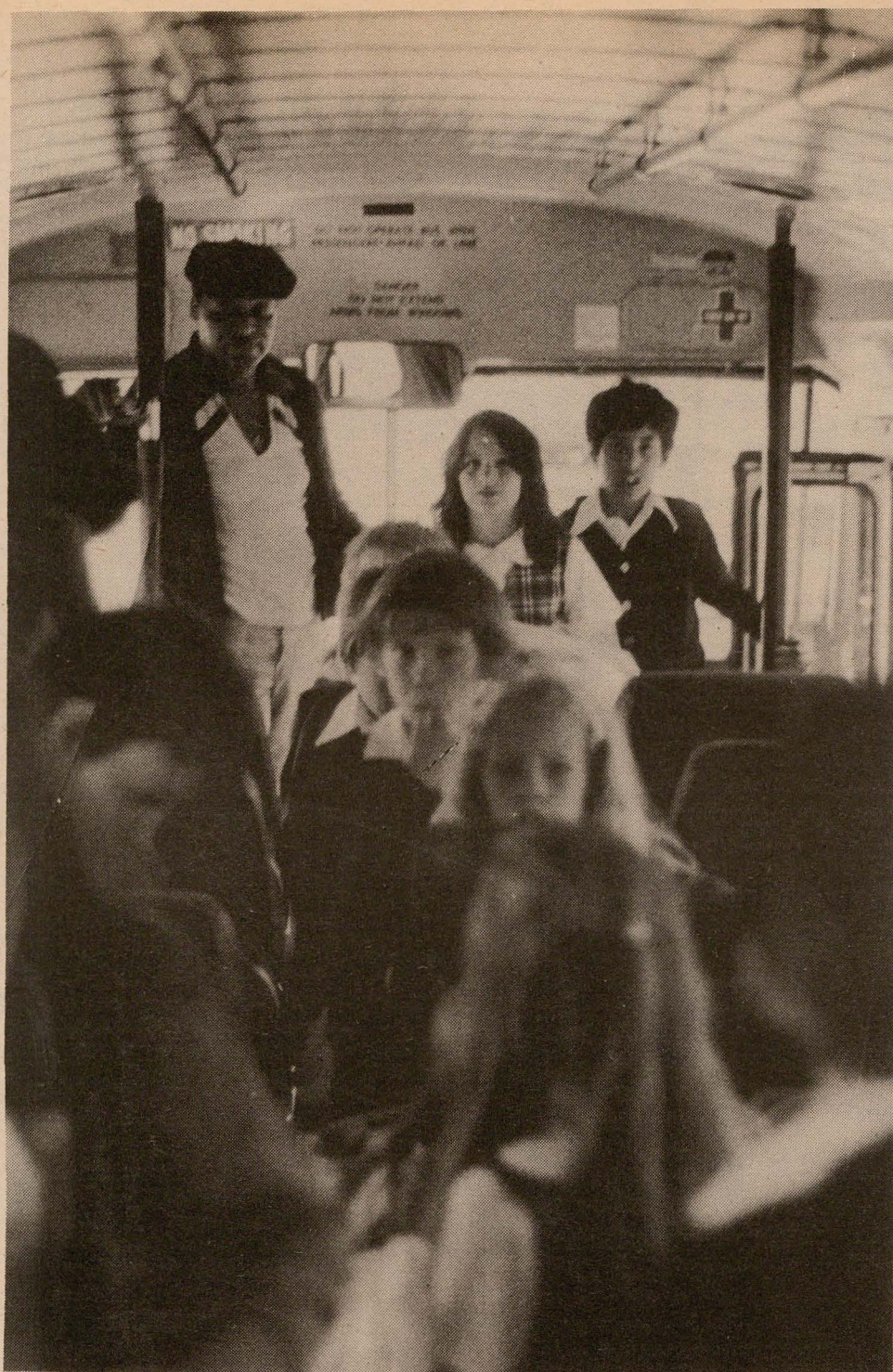
"We received the information from FORSCOM," says McKenzie,

"however, we had already begun to conduct increased testing for opiates and china white based on our own assessment of the local situation."

Recent crime figures released by the office of the Provost Marshal showed an increase in drug arrests, especially cocaine.

A recent Department of Defense study compared the amount of testing for urine detectable drugs with the level of drug use. The study showed that the amount of testing being done was too low compared to the amount of detectable drugs being used.

According to the survey, more than nine percent of the personnel stationed in the U. S. said they had used urine detectable drugs in the past 30 days.



Randall carries 54 children each day.

Photo by Tim Dewar

School bus monitor program is needed

By Tim Dewar

For an hour and 20 minutes every school day, a Presidio employee has the life of 54 children on his hands.

Samuel Randall, a civilian driver for the Transportation Motor Pool (TMP) has delivered school children to public and private schools in the San Francisco area for 14 years.

Randall, who has been driving since 1967 without an accident, admits there are problems with his job. "My primary job is driving, but at times I have to act as school monitor, policeman and referee for the kids," he adds.

One of the problems facing Randall and the other drivers is overcrowding. "I have seating for 45 children and most days I have 54 riding," Randall explains, "and the boys don't like to sit with the girls and the girls don't like to sit with the boys."

"During the morning run, which takes about 40 minutes to complete," he says, "the children are still asleep and are somewhat quieter than in the afternoons, but there is lots of traffic and it is hard to worry about what goes on in the back of the bus and drive at the same time. In the afternoon," he adds, the kids have been in class all day, and when they get out, they take out their frustrations while they are on the bus."

He points out that several cases of vandalism have resulted in damage to the bus.

"One solution," Randall offers, "would be for the parents to set up a

committee to provide one parent to ride the bus every day to help monitor the children." Randall feels this would allow him to concentrate on driving, minimizing the chance of an accident.

Transport Branch Chief Bruce Terpstra agrees, "We are having a brain storming session to try and establish a monitor of some kind. In the past," Terpstra explains, "they had MP's ride the bus, but because of personnel shortages, they were forced to cancel it."

One of the biggest problems facing the busing program according to Terpstra is the funding. A requirement that either the parents or school district provide funding for the program exists, if a waiver is not granted.

"Currently," he explains, "the money, approximately \$47,189 a year, for the 200 children, comes from base operations funds with no reimbursement from anywhere. There is a good chance that we will have to get reimbursement from either the school district or the parents, but we are doing a staff study toward requesting a waiver before next year."

"Parents of children being bused should be prepared just in case, right now we don't know," he adds, "we will just have to wait for next year."

Anyone with ideas on how to solve the monitor problem is encouraged to contact Bruce Terpstra at 4807, and Presidio drivers are reminded that it is illegal to pass a school bus when the red lights are flashing.

Violators will be cited.

Growing concern on common task skills

by K. Douglas Cook

Warfare has undergone some rapid changes in the past 20 years. Prior to the Vietnam Conflict, military tacticians prepared for battle by defining the front lines and the rear areas where supplies, administration and medical care would take place. These principles have all changed and today's soldier must change with them.

Today, soldiers assigned to the Presidio undergo a yearly evaluation of their basic survival skills. The process, called the Periodic Individual Qualification (PIQ) test, examines the soldier's ability to survive in combat under hostile situations.

"Our goal is to have better trained soldiers," says Maj. David Murdock, the head of Post training. "The Presidio has done more in the area of common task training than ever before and it's my opinion we're on the right track."

The common tasks Murdock refers to include such basic skills as map reading, decontamination of equipment and body, use of the protective mask, first aid and assembly and disassembly of the M-16 rifle.

While Murdock is optimistic about the future increase in over-all skill levels of the individual soldier, there are some who are quite concerned about the current status of abilities in the common task areas.

Several Noncommissioned Officers interviewed in regards to recent PIQ testing reflect a growing concern that soldiers assigned to the Presidio do not have the needed skills to survive in a hostile environment.

"There's a high percentage of 'No-Go's' being recorded on the PIQ," says one sergeant. "Personally, I feel it's because soldiers here do not get enough hands-on training."

Another NCO observed that as the Presidio is basically an administrative post, the emphasis on allowing the time for soldiers to learn the basic skills, survival tasks they were exposed to during Basic Training, is not there. "The day-to-day business tends to take priority over skill training."

Although the latest round of test scores aren't in, Murdock, who works within the Directorate of

Plans, Training and Security (DPTSEC) indicates that it is possible for units and sections to accomplish their daily mission and still allow for the vital training.

"Granted, we're at the center of training on this post, but all of my people have scored very well on the PIQ. We've learned to make time, because it's so critical!" he says.

Murdock relates that two new Field Manuals, published this month, are now available for use. FM 21-2, which is titled "Soldier's Manual of Common Tasks" is set at Skill Level 1. This primary level applies to enlisted grades E-1 through E-4.

FM 21-3, also using the same title, reflects Skill Levels 2 through 4 and applies to grades E-5 to E-8. According to Murdock, both are written very clearly and spell out what common task knowledge is necessary.

"These manuals standardize the common tasks skills across the board for the Army," says Murdock. "Although the implementation date is now set for November 1, 1981, the books are here now and available."

The introduction of each manual sets the serious and urgent tone which reflects the importance of soldiers learning and understanding common task skills. In part the introductory comments state that a soldier must learn how to fight and survive in combat. In the event of war, regardless of a soldier's occupational assignment, he or she will face the very real possibilities of exposure to hostile action.

This sobering statement adds even more emphasis to the importance of basic skills and sets the stage for future training importance at the Presidio.



504th MP Bn. soldiers practice defensive tactics.

Photo by Bill Craig

Time to spare

Deadline for camping trips nears

by Charles Taylor

If you plan to spend a weekend exploring California's Redwood empire, you shouldn't wait too much longer, deadlines are approaching fast.

The \$20 cost covers the campsite, transportation, camping equipment, breakfast Saturday and Sunday, and a big bar-b-que dinner Saturday night. Canoeing on the Russian River, horseback riding, hiking, diving for abalone and/or visit to historic Fort Ross, are options available at an additional cost. Sign-up and payment must be made no later than June 15.

Enjoy a journey by raft on the Lower Klamath River during the 4th of July weekend, July 2-5. For \$132.00, the white water adventure includes transportation, meals, equipment and instruction from professional River guides. The last day for sign-up and payment is June 3.

There is still available space on the salmon fishing trips scheduled for June 19, July 7 and 19, August 9 and 21 and September 11 and 13. The cost is \$32, sign-up and make payment no later than six weeks prior to the fishing trip you desire to go on.

Individuals who plan to rent boats/motors from Outdoor Recreation must attend a session at the Boat Operations and Safety Course, scheduled Tuesday at 4:30 p.m., to qualify to check-out boats/motors.

For detailed information about any of these activities call 561-4324 or visit Outdoor Recreation at Bldg. 92 between the hours of 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays.

The deadline to receive a refund for Alpine Meadows Ski Lift Coupons, purchased at Outdoor Recreation, is close of business May 29.

The Outdoor Recreation service here will have a new townhouse offer effective June 1.

The townhouse is located in South Lake Tahoe Keys on Ala Wai. It has 3 bedrooms, a sleeping capacity for 10,



Warmer weather means getting out and enjoying the many miles of beaches in the area.

file photo

2 baths, a private deck, boat dock on the lake (launching is available for a small fee), in and outdoor swimming pool, tennis courts, putting green, a private beach and Marina.

A house on Silverwood Circle, South Lake Tahoe and a condominium in North Lake Tahoe are still available for rent. The cost for all units are, \$30 per night Sunday-Thursday, and \$50 Fridays, Saturdays and nights preceeding holidays. For additional information call 561-4324 or come by Outdoor Recreation, Bldg. 92, between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday thru Friday. Reservations are taken during the week, between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. Services are available to Active Duty, Reservist, Dependents and DoD civilians only.

All right cowboys and girls dust off your boots and shine those spurs, it's time for some good ole wild west fun.

On Saturday, May 23 from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday, May 24 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. the Special Services Department and Naval Station Treasure Island are celebrating **Wild West Days**.

This weekend Western extravaganza will consist of a carnival, game booths, a mechanical bull, crafts faire, a dunking booth, the Nimitz run, bowling events and live entertainment. All activities are open to the general public.

Live entertainment includes: Yosemite Sam, Bugs Bunny, The Bootleggers Western Band, The

Hooker Rock Group, Square Dancers, Stagecoach rides, The Dancergetics, The Treasure Island Troubador and much much more.

Picnic tables are available on the lawn area nearby. Refreshments and concession stands will be set up to offer a variety of food and drink.

To get to Treasure Island, take the Treasure Island exit off the Bay Bridge. Personnel at the main gate will direct you to the free parking and the entertainment area.

For further information call the Special Services Department at (415) 765-5088.

All are encouraged to wear western clothing to add to the flavor of the festivities. Don't miss this wing-ding of weekend western fun.

Bay Area restaurant review★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★

Restaurants are an essential source of entertainment in the greater Bay Area. Some of these are stand outs, while others should be left out!

Regularly we anonymously visit restaurants which are with in a reasonable drive of the Presidio. We rate on atmosphere, cleanliness, service and, of course, on the quality of food for the price you'll pay.

! PASS IT UP
!! FLAWED BUT WORTH A VISIT
!!! A FINE EATING ESTABLISHMENT
!!!! THIS ONE SHOULDN'T BE MISSED!

Country Garden Restaurant
5937 Enfrente Road
Ignacio, CA 94947
(415) 883-9277
Frank Worthington, Owner

by K. Douglas Cook

It's tough these days to find a decent restaurant where a 20-dollar bill doesn't disappear before you get to the main course!

Yet, there's a ray of hope nestled in the rolling hills of Ignacio, just west across the freeway from Hamilton Air Force Base. It's called the Country Garden Restaurant.

Owned by Frank Worthington, who will often be present to greet you and your party, this delightful, little eatery is as comfortable as it is good.

My meat dish, the Worthington Special composed of sliced London Broil, hash browns, cole slaw and shaved, fresh carrots, was complimented by extremely good (and fattening, I suspect) country-style biscuits and gravy. It arrived at the table looking just as delicious as it tasted.

My dinner partner thoroughly enjoyed a refreshing soup and salad combination which was generous in appearance, taste and proportions.

The wood-accented atmosphere, with a variety of well-tended ferns, made us feel as if we were, indeed, in Frank's home enjoying a meal made especially for us.

The service, although just the slightest bit slow, was cordial and attentive. I suspect any delays were caused by the obvious fact that the Country Garden enjoys many repeat customers who are always satisfied.

If you're watching your waistline,

don't dare look at the incredible variety of desserts which range from simply mouthwatering fruit pies to pastries which are guaranteed to add 10 pounds to your frame. What's even more tempting is that the desserts are baked fresh right there!

Beer, wine and the usual accompanying liquid fare are available. There's both a smoking and non-smoking section, clearly separated.

Some charge cards are accepted, but no personal checks.

The prices are most reasonable, with the average full meal being in the \$7 range! One can, however, eat well for much less. A genuinely, total delight, the Country Garden is open daily from 6 AM to midnight.

AWARD— 4 SPOONS

At the movies

Presidio Theater

May 14	The Incredible Shrinking Woman (PG)	7 p.m.
May 15	The Incredible Shrinking Woman (PG)	7 p.m.
May 16	Tarka the Otter (G)	2 p.m.
May 16	The Mirror Crack'd (PG)	7 p.m.
May 17	Star Wars (PG)	7 p.m.
May 18	Star Wars (PG)	7 p.m.
May 19	Stunt Rock (PG)	7 p.m.
May 20	Apocalypse Now (R)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

May 14	Stir Crazy (R)	7 p.m.
May 15	Fade to Black (R)	7 p.m.
May 18	The Incredible Shrinking Woman (PG)	7 p.m.
May 19	The Mirror Crack'd (PG)	7 p.m.
May 20	Star Wars (PG)	7 p.m.

Sports

Six Packers clobber Bay Siders

by Charles Taylor

Scott Carr of the Six Army Six Packers, led his softball squad to an 11-5 victory over the Oakland Bay Siders here Tuesday evening.

Carr, who played on the Post team last year, shocked the house with a home run off the first pitch of the opening season Tuesday night.

The Six Packers scored 5 runs in the first inning, 3 from hits and 2 were due to a few Oakland errors. Oakland's Al Whatley scored the first run cutting the Packers from a 5 to 4 point league.

In the second inning the Bay Siders started a new game with Ron Lockwood and Rick Matlack hitting homers. The inning came to a close with the Bay Siders scoring an additional 2 runs, tying the game 5-5.

The Six Packers took the show in the third inning with a big blow from Hernandez who hit a 3 run homer making the score 8-5.

The rest of the game was well under Six Packer control. Oakland failed to score throughout the rest of the game. Six Army went on to score 3 more runs stomping Oakland 11-5.

DYA baseball opens

After the Post Commander, Col. F. Whitney Hall Jr., concluded the opening ceremonies with his first pitch of the season, eight teams came out battling for their first wins of the year.

In the opening Minor League game of the 1981 season, Ronald Hastings, with one man on base, hit a booming homer in the bottom of the sixth inning, to propell his team, the Totems, past the tough Solons, 5-4.

The Solons were lead by Blake Svendsen and the Totems by Eric Freeman, both of which had three RBI's.

In the second Minor League game, the Seals pitcher, Derek Bruhan pitched a three hitter to stifle and shut out his opponents the Oaks, 10-0.

The Oaks pitchers were either hammered very hard or threw too many balls to stay in contention.

In the first Major League game of the 1981 season, the Mets and the Padres exploded for 38 runs. The Mets were led by the power of Richard



Opening ceremonies for the DYA baseball season were held Saturday.

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Mead who hit two homers, one being a grand slam. The mets took the game with a 21-17 victory.

In the second Major League game, the Presidio Phils were defeated by the S.F. Salesians by a score of 5-2.

Remaining schedules

MINOR LEAGUE

15 May	Padres vs Totems
16 May	Solons vs Padres
20 May	Seals vs Totems
27 May	Seals vs Padres

MAJOR LEAGUE

14 May	Astros vs Phils
16 May	Grattens vs Mets
16 May	Tigers vs Salisians
19 May	Astros vs Grattens
21 May	Tigers vs Phils
26 May	Salisians vs Mets
28 May	Astros vs Tigers

*All weekday games are at 5:30
Weekend games for the Major League are at 1:30 and 3:30.
Weekend games for the Minor League are at 9:30 and 11:30.

Sport shorts

DYA gymnastics

A Dependent Youth Activities (DYA) gymnastics class will be offered again by Morale Support Activities DYA Branch for youngsters ages 4 through 19. Lessons will begin May 27 at Post Gym 1.

One hour class will meet every Wednesday or Friday until July 1. Cost will be \$12 per student for the entire 6-week course. Fees will be refunded only for insufficient registration. Girls should wear leotards and boys should wear shorts.

Registration fees will be accepted at Morale Support Activities, Bldg. 122, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. For more information, call the DYA Director, ext. 5143.

Commanders golf

The Morale Support Activities 1981 Commander's Spring Golf Tournament will be conducted at the Presidio's Army Golf Course on Wednesday and Thursday, May 20-21. First tee-off time is at 8 a.m.

The call-away system will be used for scoring, for persons who do not have an established handicap at the Presidio Army Golf Course.

Active duty personnel assigned or attached to the Presidio are eligible

to participate in the Senior and Open Divisions.

Senior Division is 40 years of age and over, and the Open Division is 39 years of age and under.

Appropriate awards will be presented to the two low gross and low net scores in each division, however, an individual can only win one award. Low gross score will be awarded first.

Clubs may be rented at MSA Outdoors Recreation Rm., Bldg. No. 92, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

If desiring further information, contact Mr. Jim Rajasa at exts. 5032/3364.

Track and Field

The All Army Womens' Track & Field team travelled to Stanford University May 8, to compete in the 1981 Stanford Women's Classic, and came back with the following results.

1. Corlissia Howard (Ft. Mead) tossed the javelin 126-6 ft. for 4th place.
2. Denise Advent (Ger.), ran a 60.94 in the 400 meters for 4th place.
3. Shirley Parker (Ft. Sheridan), ran a 13.31 in the 100 m for 3rd place.
4. Sally Brindt (Ger.), ran a 39.11 in the 10,000 m for 4th place.

The womens' team next travels to Modesto for the Cal Relays May 16.

Intramural golf

HQ6A No. 1 team defeated LAIR No. 2 team with a score of 6½ points to 2½ points.

504th MPs played a dual match between Oakland Army Base and LAIR No. 1, teams and lost both matches.

504th MP (1½) points vs. LAIR No. 1 (6½) points

504th MP (3) points vs. OARB (6) points

POINTS

ARR IX	40	23	7
HQ6A No. 1	36	18	6
LAIR No. 1	37	26	7
HQ6A No. 2	27½	26½	6
HQ JSAG	23½	30½	6
LAIR No. 2	22	41	7
OARB	22	23	5
504th MP	18½	35½	6

Presidio's Golf team played last Friday and took third lace with nine teams participating. 1st place: Travis, 2nd Place: Moffett NAS.

Mens' softball

The Presidio's Mens' Softball team traveled over the weekend to the McClellan Invitational, winning their first game against Beale AFB (10-7), and losing their next two against Travis AFB (8-10) and a Sac.

team 7-13. An outstanding performance was produced by Ron Lockwood (OAB) who blasted four homers in the tournament.

Archery rep.

Presidio's "Robin Hood," Capt. Larry Everson, LAMC, will journey to Ft. Campbell, Kentucky, May 18-22, to compete in the 1981 FORSCOM Archery Tournament.

Bowling results

The Presidio's Mens' FORSCOM Bowling team traveled to Ft. Ord, April 27-May 1 to compete in the 1981 Western Regional Bowling Championship, and came back with a 10th, out of 14 teams, place finishing. Individual honors went to Jun Lejarden, Reg. IX, and Richard Corbilla who finished 5th in doubles competition.

Rec equipment

Individuals renting equipment from Outdoor Recreation are reminded that it is the users responsibility to return equipment on time. Double rental fees go into effect on all rental equipment the day following the due in date.

Extensions will be granted up to a maximum of 14 days, however extensions will not be permitted unless the user calls Outdoor Recreation at 561-4324 to extend.

Presidio News Notes

Band concert

The Sixth United States Army Band will once again present a public concert on Wednesday, May 20, 1981, at 7:30 p.m. in the LAIR Auditorium.

The LAIR Auditorium is directly behind the Letterman Army Medical Center, across from the Schwartz Theater.

The band will be performing an all new concert featuring music from all styles and periods. If you haven't heard the Sixth Army Band at a formal concert, you won't want to miss this opportunity. There is no charge for admission.

Swim class

There are still some openings in the DYA Tiny Tot Swim Class for youngsters between the ages of three to six years old. Call Mr. Raymond Mey, ext. 5051 or 3673 for more information.

Air travel

Contract negotiations between the Federal Aviation Authority (FAA) and the Professional Air Traffic Controllers Organization (PATCO) have broken down.

According to FAA, the potential exists for an Air Traffic Controller Strike by May 19 (scheduled date for the next PATCO executive board meeting) which could range from specific local areas to a regional or national scale.

In the event of a strike, passengers should plan their itineraries to meet other modes of travel (rail or bus) or rerouting of air travel.

Child care

The Joint Services Child Care Project (JSCCP) is sponsoring a one-day conference on May 29 at the Presidio.

Directors, caregivers and command representatives from each of the twelve installations involved with the Project will participate in the conference to review the progress of the JSCCP and to voice their concerns and future needs in military child care.

Two prominent speakers from the area will address new directions in child care. In the morning Patty Siegel, Executive Director of California Childcare Resource and Referral Network, will speak on "Networking: Where the Military Fits In."

Ethel Seiderman, Director of the Fairfax-San Anselmo Children's Center, will also speak on "Foundations of Care: Assessing Infant and Toddler Needs." The afternoon session will be a panel discussion on "New Horizons for Military Child Care" with inputs from participants regarding ongoing needs of military child care programs.

The conference will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at LAIR Auditorium.

Chapel service

The Fort Scott chapel will have Protestant services at 11 a.m. Sunday, May 17. After the service, those who wish to do so will join the Post Chapel congregations at the Log Cabin for a picnic.

The 11 a.m. service will feature a Daly City group of Job's Daughters, the girls auxiliary of the Masonic Lodge. The Job's Daughters group will be singing and leading in a portion of the service. Children's church will also be held as usual. Everyone is invited to attend.

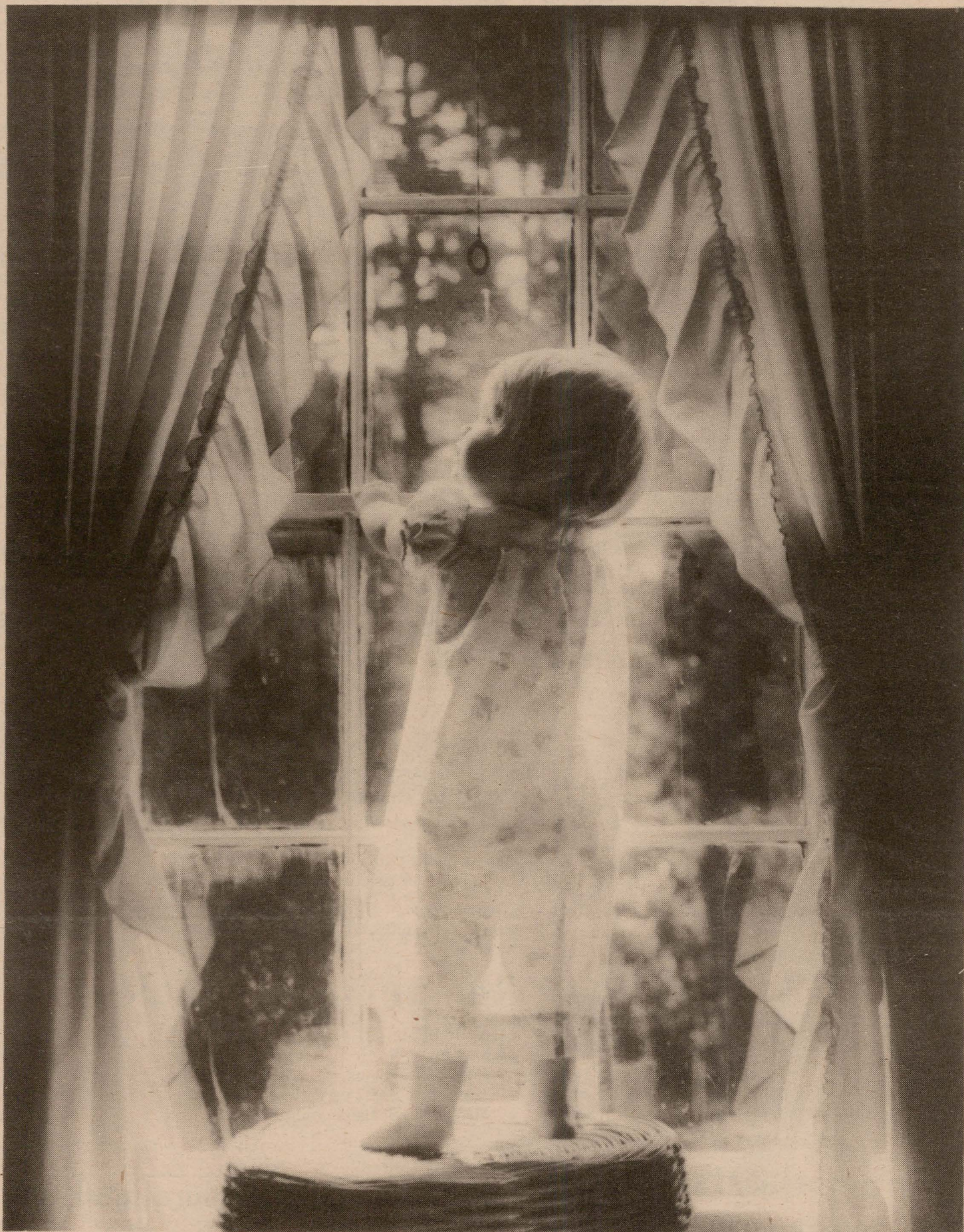


Photo of the week

R. Scott Dewell's photo entitled "One Crystal Dawn" took top honors in the Photo of the Week contest. All

photos received will be entered for judging, and can be returned.

Diabetic seminar

A two day seminar for diabetic patients and their family members will be held at Letterman Army Medical Center on May 14 and 21. The seminar will be in Torney Hall, Bldg. 1100, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The most current information on diabetes will be presented by nurse practitioners, dietitians, physicians and the podiatrist. There is no fee for the seminar but refreshments and lunch will be at the attendees own expense.

Register now if you plan to attend by calling Mrs. Omega at 561-2689, or 561-3831. Non-registered persons will be admitted on a space available basis. Don't miss this opportunity to learn what you can do to help manage your own health.

Life savers

The Post Swimming Pool, Bldg. 1151, will offer a course in Advanced Life Saving to commence on or about May 15, 1981. The course will consist of ten, one hour lessons given once a week at the Post Swimming Pool.

Upon completion of the course, individuals will be certified by the Red Cross and qualified for a position as a pool lifeguard. Pre-registration is required.

For additional information, contact Mr. Ray Mey at the Post Swimming Pool, ext. 3673.

Final meeting

Letterman Women's Clubs' final meeting of the 1980-1981 season will take place on May 14th at the Marin Art and Garden Center in Ross.

A luncheon will be held at the Ross Garden Restaurant at 11:30 a.m. followed by a lecture on the historical sites in Marin County.

In addition to the program, new officers for 1981-1982 will be installed and the LWC "Woman of the Year" will be announced.

Reservations must be made before noon on Monday.

In San Francisco call Elly Barry 561-4610, Barbara Jennings 561-4039, or Barbara Dahl 561-3603. In Marin call Bernice See at 897-0851.

Official photos

Presidio officers and senior-enlisted personnel are being reminded once again that missing or outdated official photographs can result in not being selected for promotion.

Department of the Army (DA) officials have expressed concern at the poor response to the requirement which calls for periodic photos to be taken in a timely manner.

The report was issued by the DA officials as a result of after action reports from a recent captain selection board. The report's reflected, "A continuing problem of outdated or missing photographs in the official military personnel files," according to a DA spokesman.

Personnel stationed on or near the Presidio who need to update their official photos should contact the Training Aid Service Center at ext. 2106 for an appointment.

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Defense chief thanks Presidians

In a letter to the post commander, the Secretary of Defense was extremely complimentary of the support the Presidio provided during the security meetings held here last month.

Secretary of Defense Casper Weinberger's letter to Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., begins, "On behalf of myself and the members of my party, I would like to thank you for all the help and many fine services you rendered during our visit last week for the Security Consultative Meetings with the Koreans." Weinberger was at the Presidio on April 29 and 30 as head of the American delegation at the 13th Annual U. S.—Republic of Korea Security Consultative Meetings (SCM).

The SCM was the first such meeting of its kind Weinberger had attended in his capacity as Secretary of Defense. Demonstrating its significance and a knowledge of the tremendous administrative and logistical requirements to make it a success, he continues, "As I am sure you know, meetings of great import such as these simply could not be accomplished without superb support of the type you provided."

In appreciation of the many military and civilian workers of the Presidio who worked long hours and displayed the highest professionalism, Weinberger concludes his letter by writing, "Please extend my thanks as well to all those who assisted you in this endeavor. It was a job well done indeed."



Lt. Gen. C. M. Hall greets Secretary of Defense Weinberger.

Photo by H. Kinoshita

1981 FORSCOM inspection

Hall terms IG results best in years

The 1981 US Army Forces Command (FORSCOM) Inspector General's visit to the Presidio is now history.

If you happen to be one of those who didn't get to see an inspector, don't be disappointed, it's probably because you are doing a good job. This does not imply that those who

did get to see the IG are doing a bad job.

It's just that this year's inspection was conducted in a different manner than those in previous years. Under the new concept, a systematic approach is used to determine if units, staff sections and directorates are performing up to standard.

The purpose and many features of the traditional IG Inspection have not changed. FORSCOM officials say that the systematic concept is new and more effective method of evaluating a post based on priorities set by the FORSCOM commander.

Post commander, Col. F. Whitney Hall related that he was extremely pleased with the results of this year's inspection. He congratulated Presidians on the effort, saying, "All told, we had a very good visit by Gen. Shoemakers representative, the Inspector General.

"I believe it was the best that we've had here at the Presidio in several years," he continued, "and I would like to thank everyone in the command who contributed to that result."

He noted the difference in the method in which the inspection was carried out, "This was a different IG from those we have encountered in the past where an inspector came in with a checklist and filled out the squares.

"Instead, Gen. Shoemaker is telling his Inspector General to go out and see if the important things that the Army wants done are happening."

The FORSCOM commander's priorities this year were training, mobilization and force readiness. Although other areas were considered, these subjects were closely scrutinized by the FORSCOM IG during their visit.

The training program now underway at the Presidio was favorably considered by FORSCOM. Inspectors reported that people at all levels were well informed and showed a high degree of interest in training.

Hall emphasized that this does not mean that every objective has been achieved, but added, "we know that we do have a system going that is properly organized and I believe that within a few months, it will take hold of every soldier on post."

Inspectors reported that mobilization plans for the Presidio and its satellite installation, the Parks Reserve Forces Training Area are in good shape, adding that some details needed to be worked out. Hall noted that a mini-war game will be scheduled next month to check mobilization procedures.

Also receiving very high marks was the recent Emergency Deployment Readiness Exercise conducted by the 504th MP Bn. The Inspector General noted that comments received from the soldiers who participated in the exercise demonstrated a high level of troop morale.

Hall said that he is concerned over the findings of the Inspector General concerning the inability or failure of individuals to report cases of sexual harrassment to the proper authorities.

He emphasized, "Sexual harrassment should be looked upon as non-professional behavior and it should be dealt with in professional fashion. If a person is subjected to that kind of treatment, they should certainly know that the chain of command will react properly to a complaint."

He summed up the FORSCOM IG visit as a success, adding, "We had a lot more pluses than we have had in the past and relatively few minuses. I feel good about it, and I think the soldiers and civilians on the Presidio should feel good about it."



Photo by Tim Dewar

Bay to Breakers

Some tired runners cross the finish line at last during Sunday's Bay to Breakers race. Presidio runners Rick Bradley, Jim Moore and Chuck Dasey finished 74th, 84th and 315th respectively. Star Presidian reporter Jon Chelgren who finished somewhat further back in the pack will provide an inside view of the race with photographs in next week's issue.

Opinion

Commentary

We are all bull goose looney

by K. Douglas Cook

In case you haven't noticed, we've all gone Bull Goose Looney! We are out of control, over the edge, around the bend and ready for the rubber room.

I, like many of you dear friends, am an apartment dweller. The reason is quite simple. I can only afford to spend half my monthly pay on a domicile. Actually, I really can't afford it, but the police keep chasing me out of the local parks.

Just recently I picked up a multipaged booklet which told of all the homes available in the Bay area. Either the people who write these things are crazier than we are or they just think we are crazy!

The headline states... "You don't need fortune to live like a millionaire..." and goes on to tell how glorious life is when you buy one of the customized estates. All you need is a poultry one-quarter of a million dollars!!! By golly, I'll just write a

check and enjoy the privileges of living within the same area code!

If area codes don't bother you, we can find just bunches of delightful homes which have creative financial arrangements (I wonder if they can be truly creative with \$19.57?) and offer you the extraordinary opportunity of driving 4 hours per day!

Oh and these little devils are sooo tricky about selling you and me our dream home. The large print tells about interest rates at 11 7/8%. The teeny-tiny print casually mentions the minor detail that the interest rate just happens to jump up to 13 3/4% in three years and they'll want your first-born son.

Some places tell you they have great places to raise families only "about 20 minutes from downtown" for a mere \$160,000! Of course, that 20 minute drive was clocked at 3 a.m., on Sunday... in a high-performance police car with red lights and siren!

You and I can even find incredible

values in these things called Townhomes. Sure, they look like apartments, but don't let that bother you. Only crass people compare these \$100,000 bargains to the dwellings the ancient Indian tribes used in New Mexico!

Some even offer you views of fabulous Daly City and the heart-pounding scenic beauty of San Francisco Airport! A visual feast as that 747 climbs past your bedroom window!

The ads seem to get better and better. Great interest rates, great locations, great commuting time and great big price tags! Why on one alone which is only a 55-minute commute from the city, all I need is 20% down—quick, check the cookie jar and see if I have \$21,000 yet—and can make the \$1,000+ payments per month.

Oh, I will have to dump the kids somewhere as no residents under 18 are allowed! Heck, that means I'll save money on Christmas!!!

I really wish I was making all this

up, folks. Those of you who live in government quarters should go home this evening and kiss every brick in your home! Although some day you'll be out here in Crazyland with the rest of us.

There was a time when making over \$20,000 a year qualified you for a "thank you" at the local bank. Let's see, that was in 1965. The dark ages. Today, making that little means soy-mixed hamburger twice a week, no frills on the weekends and glorious vacations at Stinson Beach, if there's money for the gas!

What in heaven's name is wrong with us? There once was this thing called an American Dream. It meant if you worked honestly and hard, paid your taxes and tried to be a good citizen, you could have a modest home. You could take two weeks and see this country. You could get that new bicycle for the child. You could feel a sense of self-worth.

The American Dream is now the American Nightmare and each day it gets crazier and crazier.

Letters to the Editor

Readers comment on smokers, lawn care

For several years, I have been coming to the Presidio to perform my annual training and other missions. In the past, I enjoyed using the main post cafeteria to eat many of my meals. However, this past week two things happened which trouble me.

First I noticed that the divider between the smoking and non-smoking sections had been eliminated and only signs remained. Thusly, as a nonsmoker, I am obliged to sit near a table where the odor and visual remains of smoking are apparent. Although I do respect the rights of anyone to engage in smoking, I also would like my rights to be respected as well. I thought there were federal and state laws which protect non-smokers.

I filled in a suggestion form and submitted to the main post cafeteria questioning the lack of a physical barrier and suggesting an alternative plan. I was contacted by the manager of the main post cafeteria who seemed quite upset by my suggestion. Among other comments made to me was, "We are in the business of making money!" Further the manager told me that she would not be able to enforce such a barrier if smokers went into the nonsmoking section to eat.

My first question is, why is there

no barrier between smoking and non-smoking sections and why can't such laws be enforced on a military reservation?

During my conversation with this manager, she interjected a comment which also concerns me. As best I can recall the comment, she stated, "A couple of weeks ago we had to refuse a request from ten (10) terminally-ill patients of LAMC to reserve a space to eat in the cafeteria for one meal due to regulations and our policy of first-come, first-served." Although this had nothing whatsoever to do with my reason for speaking with this woman, I was troubled by this statement.

On one hand, she is telling me that a nonsmoking section couldn't be enforced by her personnel. Then, in the same conversation, she states that she had to refuse a special request from some very ill people.

My second question is, considering these individuals were terminally-ill and, by virtue of benefit or service, eligible to be treated at the post hospital, why couldn't a special exception be made for them?

In general I am most concerned about the apparent attitude and selective enforcement of regulations

exhibited within the main post cafeteria. I hope this inquiry will serve to clarify the situations addressed and bring about positive actions.

Maj. (P) Dan Lufkin, USAR

DoD established procedures for control of smoking in department controlled buildings and facilities, including AAFES, as follows:

A no-smoking area should be designated and posted based on an estimate of smoking and nonsmoking patrons served.

The Main Cafeteria has set aside approximately 74 seats within the cafeteria for nonsmokers. A sign is posted in the area, decals are placed on each side of the napkin holders located on each table within the nonsmoking area.

Managers/supervisors of the cafeteria do not enforce customer seating; however, we do hope that customers will do their own policing, and not smoke in a nonsmoking area.

Managers/supervisors of the

cafeteria have been made aware of their responsibility as regards to customer relation and information, and the customer suggestion program has been reviewed.

SOUNDRA BOURNE
Exchange Manager

Editor

Lately there have been a number of articles on quarters lawn area upkeep. Generally I agree and comply with the articles and their intent such as planting and cutting grass.

However, I feel we must become more aware of the damage we can do to the Presidio by overcutting or overwatering, or by allowing ourselves and our children to walk up and down Hills Trail Blazing."

The soil here is very fragile and erosion is ever present. Please help protect The Presidio.

Sp5 Steve Hale

Air-fare discounts are being misused

The 50-percent reserved-seat military furlough fare (YM) is one of the most significant military benefits in recent times.

This discount allows military personnel holding an active duty Armed Forces of the United States green Identification Card and travelling on authorized furlough, leave, or pass—or within seven days of discharge—to purchase air tickets for 50 percent off the regular coach fare from the 20 airlines participating in this program. **Civilians, dependents, reservists, National Guard, or retired personnel are not eligible for this fare.**

The Military Traffic Management Command (MTMC) has worked extremely hard to persuade the air-

lines to offer this special fare. Regrettably, abuses are jeopardizing the 50-percent discount, in that eligible individuals are purchasing furlough-fare tickets and then transferring or selling them to ineligible personnel such as family members, relatives, friends, or even complete strangers.

Violations have also been reported where personnel on TDY are purchasing YM fares (for their official travel) and then filing for reimbursement at a profit. These actions are illegal and violators may be subjecting themselves to administrative or disciplinary actions, as well as imperiling the entire program.

THOMAS A. McMORRIS
Chief Transportation Division

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Volunteers get post paper to you

Story by Michael Christy

Army or post newspapers have been in existence for a long time. And almost as long as they have been around, so too has been the problem of getting them delivered directly to the quarters.

It's no different here at the Presidio. Getting the Star Presidian delivered to the quarters is a problem. It takes a whole lot of people volunteering their time for the paper to get to each set of quarters.

Unlike the commercial newspaper, carriers who receive money for their efforts, those who deliver the Star Presidian must give up some of their free time for absolutely no financial reward. Who are these volunteers?

According to Mary Schuster, Army Community Service (ACS) and volunteer supervisor, the volunteers are active duty people, housewives and children of active duty members. "If it wasn't for the volunteers, post residents would not receive the paper," she says.

"In most cases," Schuster says, "the post police details deliver bundles of papers to designated places for pick-up by the volunteers who then walk to each set of quarters along their route and place a paper at the door steps." She adds that many residents take this service for granted and some complain quite bitterly when something goes wrong.

Schuster says it's a no-win situation for volunteers at times. She recalls how one enterprising young man placed rubber bands around the

newspapers to prevent the contents from spilling out. "But wouldn't you know it, we got a complaint from someone who didn't like rubber bands around their paper," she says.

In another case, she says, a young man braved the cold rain one afternoon to deliver the papers on time and a customer, instead of appreciating the display of dedication and sacrifice, called and complained about the paper being wet.

"People just don't understand that volunteers do the delivering when there are other things they could be doing," she says. According to Schuster, there are times when other, more pressing matters prevent a volunteer from delivering the papers. "But that's not often," she's quick to add.

Schuster is particularly proud of a brother-sister team who have been volunteers for over three years. She says that Michael Barfield, 13, and his 11-year-old sister, Catharina, hold the record for being volunteers for the longest time. "And they have the third largest route, too," she beams.

"If it were not for people like the Barfield youngsters," she says, "The Star Presidian would simply not reach the quarters." She adds that volunteers are always needed.

Anyone interested in delivering the Star Presidian in their neighborhood should contact Ms. Mary Schuster at the ACS, ext. 5155.

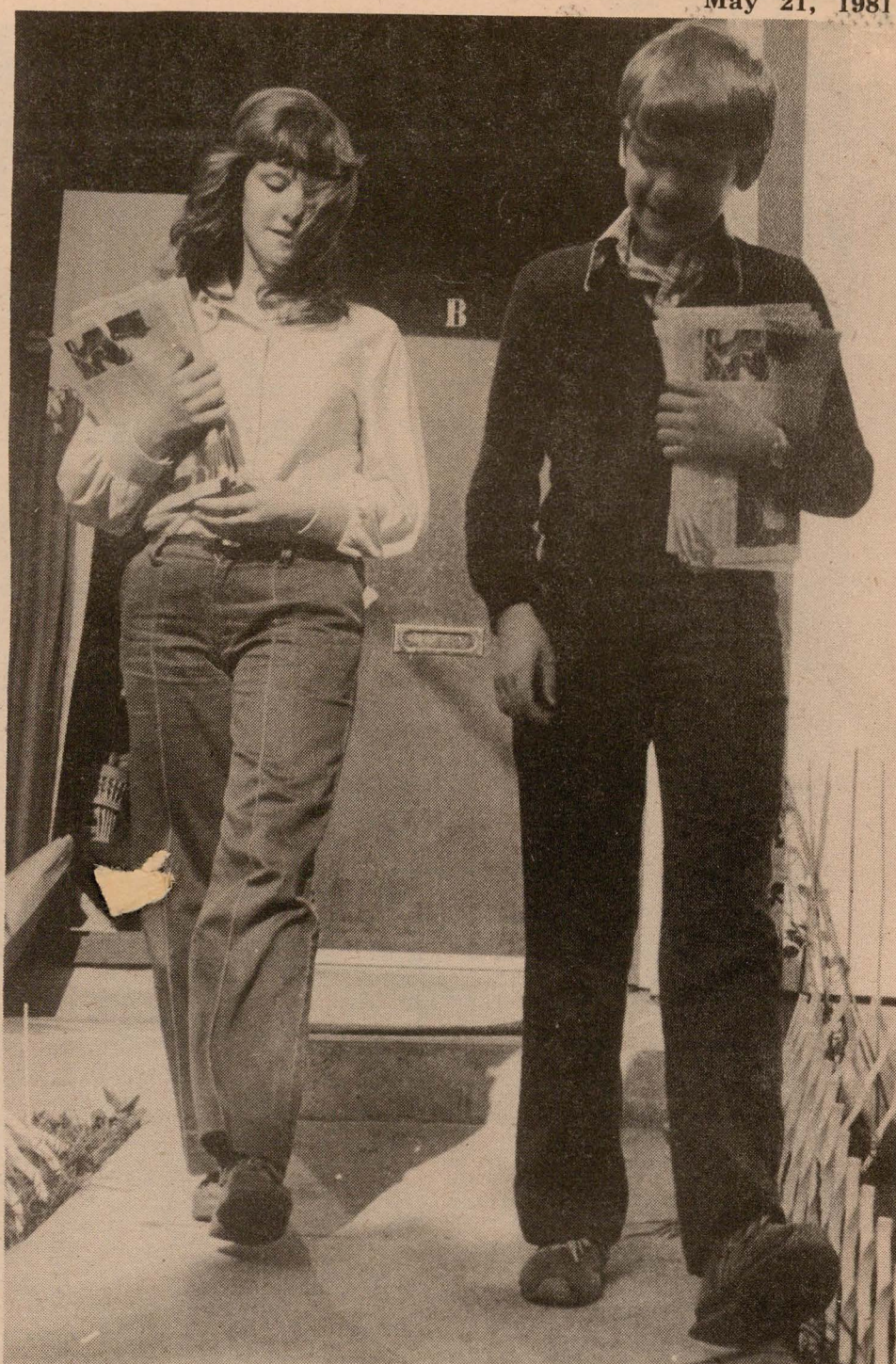


Photo by Tim Dewar

Michael and Catharina Barfield deliver the Star Presidian.

Red Cross marks its 100th birthday

by Bill Craig

Today marks the 100th anniversary of the founding of the American Red Cross.

It has taken 100 years, but the small society that Clara Barton founded in 1881 has become the largest humanitarian organization in the country.

Over the past several weeks, many activities have been held throughout the Bay Area to commemorate the occasion. Most notable was last Sunday's Bay to Breakers Race, sponsored by the San Francisco Examiner. This year's race was dedicated to the Red Cross.

Last week Sixth Army commander, Lt. Gen. C.M. Hall, and Presidio commander Col. F. Whitney Hall hosted a luncheon at the officers' club honoring the Red Cross for 100 years of dedicated service to the military. The fund-raising event was attended by a large number of Presidio residents and employees and resulted in a \$600 donation to the Presidio Chapter.

Col. Hall remarked that, since its founding, the

Red Cross has been closely associated with the military in many capacities. "Many people may not realize that throughout its history, a full 25% of the Red Cross effort has been directed to helping service-members and their families," he added.

Hall noted that most of the agency's activities here on post take place at Letterman Army Medical Center where Red Cross volunteers and professionals are constantly involved in many hospital programs.

The Red Cross became the forerunner of the Veterans Administration following World War I, when at the request of the government, it registered the names and current addresses of veterans so that they could be eligible for benefits.

The government turned to the organization again during the great drought of the 1930s to distribute seed and other aid to farmers. The Red Cross became the forerunner of the Public Health Service by establishing a program in which nurses toured rural areas to check and service the health

needs of families.

In its 1905 congressional charter, the Red Cross was called upon to be a link with home for those in the armed forces. Whether a person was a doughboy, a GI, or a grunt, the Red Cross served alongside.

In World War I, it provided nurses, camp services, and an ambulance corps. In World War II, Korea, and Vietnam, there were recreation workers and field directors with military units at home and overseas.

The first steps in blood donor recruitment were undertaken by the Red Cross prior to U.S. entry into World War II. Today, Red Cross Blood Services is the world's largest collector, processor, and distributor of voluntarily donated blood.

Not only does the Red Cross collect and distribute donor blood and derivatives, but it also sponsors important medical research for better methods of utilizing, processing, and distributing.

Memorial Day schedule

Memorial day is a time this nation sets aside to honor those men and women who have served their country in defense of freedom.

It's also the traditional time for Americans to begin their annual round of summer activities.

Commander of the Presidio, Col. F. Whitney Hall is concerned that all Presidians exercise special care this holiday weekend and throughout the rest of the summer. In a letter issued to all personnel of the Presidio, Hall encourages that common sense and safety measures be used while enjoying this and other leisure time.

Next Monday, Memorial Day, a special ceremony will mark a

local tribute to those who paid the ultimate sacrifice for America. Beginning at the parade ground on post, there will be a parade to the Centotaph located on the San Francisco National Cemetery.

The parade begins at 10:00 a.m. with a wreath laying ceremony scheduled for 10:30. The 6th Army Band will present a brief concert shortly thereafter.

Presidians are also reminded that the post Commissary and Exchange will be operating on holiday hours. The Post Exchange and the Four Seasons store will be open from noon to 5:00 pm on Monday. The Commissary will be closed Sunday through Tuesday.

Fall from cliff leaves two young boys hospitalized

Two young civilians found themselves the object of some dramatic attention last Saturday.

The boys, ages 10 and 13, were attempting to scale the cliffs located on Fort Cronkite early in the afternoon. According to official reports, they fell in the process and sustained injuries.

An engine from the Presidio substation located on Fort Cronkite and a rescue unit from main post responded to a call for assistance just shortly after 1:30 p.m.

Once on the scene, the firefighters, assisted by Rangers from the Golden Gate National Recreation Area,

determined that due to the location of the boys, the Coast Guard rescue helicopter would be needed. The pair was stabilized at the scene and, within one hour, were airlifted to Crissy Field.

The boys were admitted to Letterman Army Medical Center for treatment of injuries sustained from the fall. Both were released last Tuesday. Under conditions such as these, civilians can be admitted and treated at a military hospital, according to a hospital spokesperson.

Incidents such as this one indicate the effectiveness of the combined operational cooperation of federal agencies in times of emergency.



The leader of the Fife and Drum Corps begins the performance.

Photo by John Green



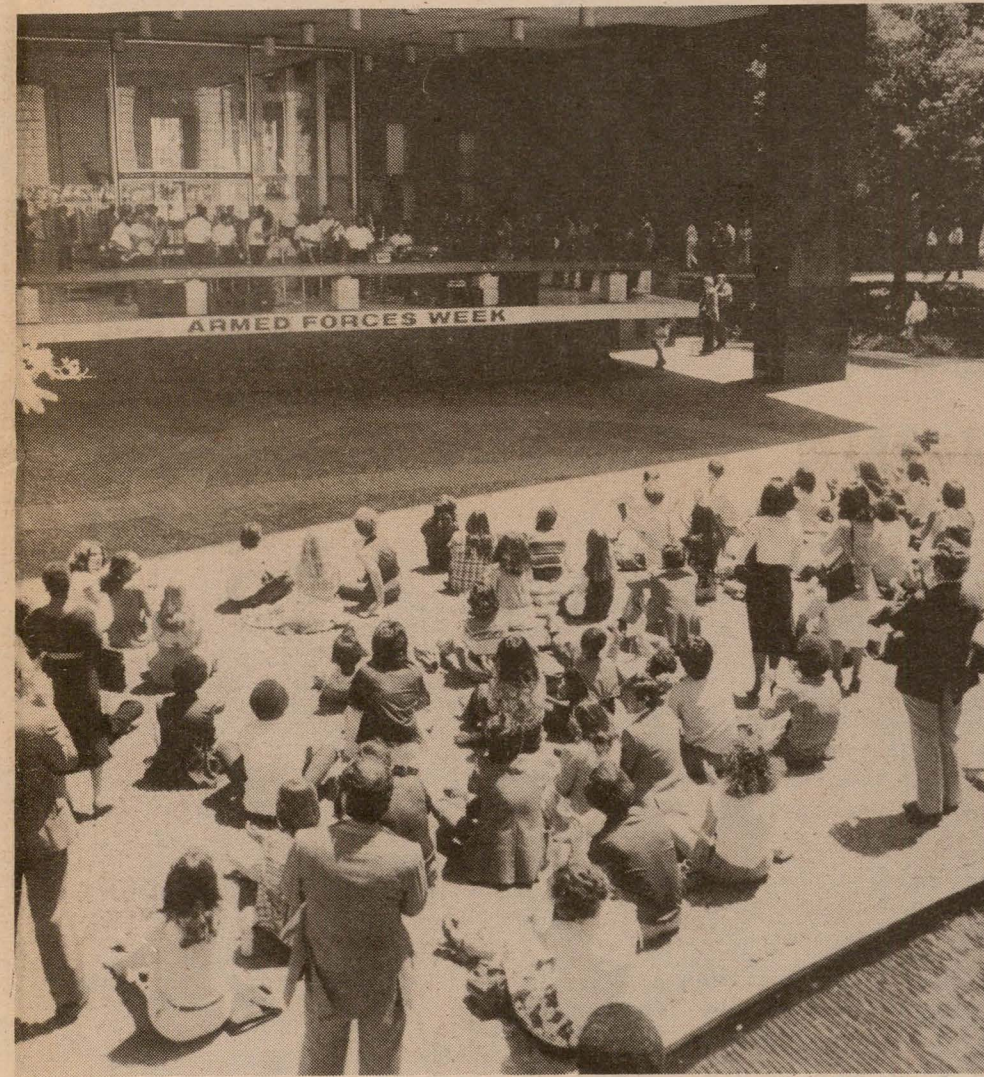
91st Div. Bagpipe Band entertains at Aquatic Park.

Photo by John Green



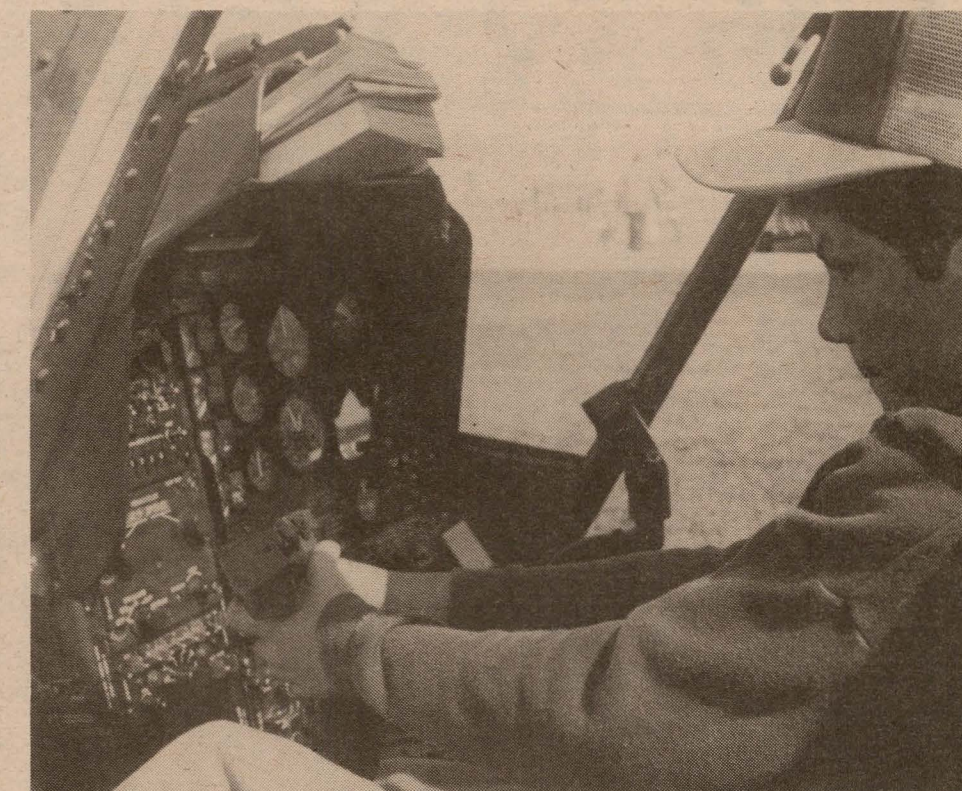
Stick em up

Photo by H. Kinoshita



Navy Band performs at Crown Zellerbach.

Photo by John Green



How do you start this thing?

Photo by H. Kinoshita



Marine Corps equipment exhibit at Aquatic Park.

Photo by John Green

Armed forces week-1981

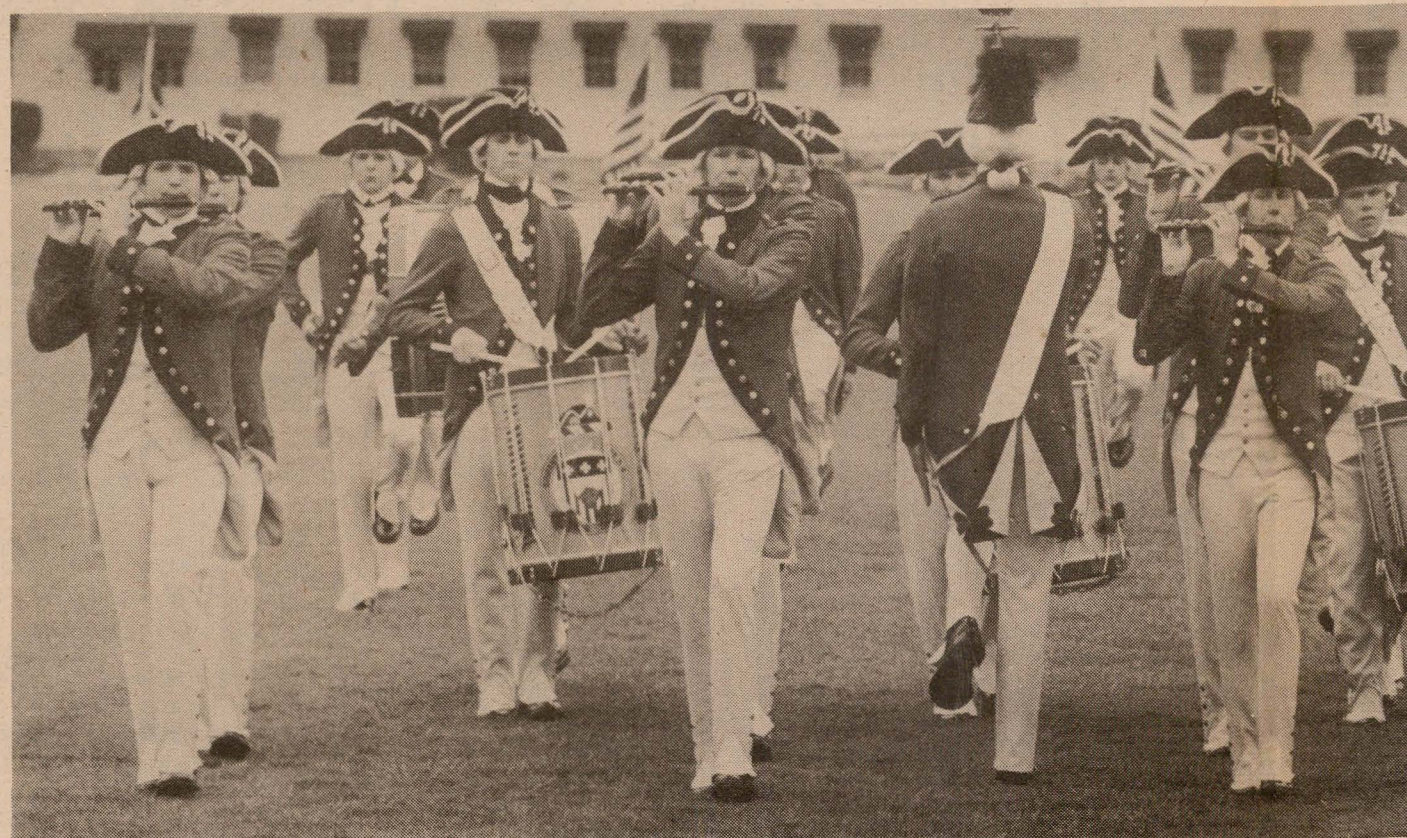
by Bill Craig

Citizens throughout the Bay Area got a chance to get a closer look at their Armed Forces last weekend during the regional Armed Forces Day Celebration.

There were the displays of military equipment, marching troops and bands that one usually expects to find on such an occasion. There was also a bit of the kind of entertainment that onlookers weren't expecting.

One of the biggest crowd-pleasers was the appearance of the 91st Division Bagpipe Band. Wearing their unique uniforms comprised of kilts on the bottom and khakis on the top, they landed at Aquatic Park on a landing craft and marched to a waiting cable car playing as they went up the line.

Other attractions were appearances by: The Commanders Guard and Fife and Drum Corps from the 3rd US Infantry in Washington, D.C.; the Marine Corps Drum and Bugle Corps; the Sixth US Army Band; the San Francisco Navy Band; and a variety of exhibits from all the services.



The 'Old Guard' Fife and Drum Corps performs at the Presidio.

Photo by John Green



91st Division troops pass in review during the Armed Forces Day Parade in San Francisco.

Photo by John Green

Time to spare



Photo by Bill Craig

Monterey's Fisherman's Wharf

Fisherman's Wharf in Monterey is just one of the hundreds of exciting places to visit in Northern California. Located two hours driving time to the South of San

Francisco, the Monterey Peninsula offers an assortment of sightseeing and shopping attractions.

Trips to highlight summer activities

White Water Raft/Kayaking Trips highlight this seasons Outdoor Recreation activities. Due to the high demand for this type of adventure, trips must be planned well in advance and reservations/payment received early. Get away from the holiday noise and hurry of the big city, on the lower Klamath River, July 2, 3, 4, 5.

For \$132.00 per person you are provided with transportation, food, rafts/kayaks, including instruction for the hearty souls who want to shoot the rapids in a one person kayak rather than an eight person raft. Sign-up and payment deadline not later than June 3.

Moonlite Bowling every Sunday night is becoming increasingly popular at your Presidio lanes. There is lots of fun and instant cash for the winners. So, come out and try your luck.

Lunch Hour Special—Tuesday through Friday except on holidays, 50¢ per line from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Regular line fee is 75¢

Summer league is now forming. Military personnel, Dependents, retirees, DoD civilian and NAF employees are eligible. For more information call Presidio Bowling Center at ext. 5042 or 2080 or come to the center to register.

Sacramento Delta Cruise—Saturday, June 20, 8:30 a.m. to 8:45 p.m. Price of \$28.50 includes bus transportation to and from Recreation Center, sail on Riverboat to West Sacramento, tour of "Old Sacramento", and return bus to Presidio Recreation Center.

Canoe Trip on the Russian River—Saturday, July 18, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Price of \$15 includes bus transportation to and from Recreation Center, canoe, paddle, life jackets, wine-tasting tour to the

historic Italian Swiss Colony Winery and chicken barbecue dinner. Please sign up by July 1.

An Oil Painting Class meets every Wednesday evening, from 6-8 p.m. This is an ongoing class and interested persons can join at any-time. The instructor furnishes still life studies which begin with sketches and progresses to completed oil on canvas. This class is free of charge.

Auto Craft—You can do it yourself at the Auto Shop, Bldg. 622. Change the oil or tires on your car. You can learn how to tune the engine of your car and make other minor repairs. The mechanics instruct and assist whenever needed. Shop is open Tuesday from 5-10 p.m., Wednesday through Friday, 2-11 p.m., and Sat. 9-4 p.m.

Special Upcoming Event—Presidio Championship Chess Tournament in the Recreation Center Ballroom, Saturday, June 6 and Sunday, June 7. Prizes will be awarded and winners are eligible for All Army/All Service Chess Tournament. Open to Active Duty Only.

Come to the Recreation Center for Entry Form and Information; Bldg. 1331, ext. 2000.

Photo Buffs are welcome to visit the Photo Lab which is open on a part-time basis temporarily on the following days:

Tues and Wed	2-10 p.m.
Saturday	9-5 p.m.
Thur/Fri/Sun/Mon	CLOSED

Get ready to enter the upcoming All Army Photo Contest. Come by for further information.

"Thelma D. Day"—Fisher-Price will sponsor a birthday party for one-year-old "Thelma D.", the baby orangutan, on Friday June 12, at 1 p.m. on the playfield. Thelma D.,

named after zoo angel Mrs. Thelma Doelger, will open presents from Fisher-Price and enjoy a fabulous cake specially designed by Fantasia Bakery.

A National Forest recreation information telephone line for the public will again be offered by the Forest Service this summer, Pacific Southwest Regional Forester Zane G. Smith announced today.

The telephone number for the service, running from May 21 through September 7, is (415) 982-1771.

"The taped reports provide the public with up-to-date information on recreation opportunities and weather conditions on National Forests in northern, central, and southern California," Mr. Smith said. "They contain a variety of recreation information including summaries of campground availability, trail and road closure, permit information, special forest visitor programs, and other items of interest. Also, each report will feature a different forest each week."

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Tickets now available and for sale:

Great America \$8.50 Reg. \$11.95

Marine World \$6.76 & \$4.75 Reg. \$8.95 & \$5.95

Baseball tickets—Sunday Games—Giants Box seats \$6.00—A's Reserve \$5.00

Disneyland "Salutes the Military" \$7.50

Reno Hospitality Pack \$2.25

Diners Out Books (2 for 1) \$16.00 Reg. \$22.00

Lion Country Safari tickets (In Irvine, CA) Adults \$4.25, Reg. \$5.95, Child \$2.72, Reg. \$3.75

For additional information concerning activities please call ext. 2000. Ticket sales and distribution of discount coupons are available after 4 p.m.

At the movies

Presidio Theater

May 21	Charlie Chan and the Curse of the Dragon Queen (PG)	7 p.m.
May 22	Charlie Chan and the Curse of the Dragon Queen (PG)	7 p.m.
May 23	The Black Stallion (G)	2 p.m.
May 23	The Private Eyes (PG)	7 p.m.
May 24	Raging Bull (R)	7 p.m.
May 25	Raging Bull (R)	7 p.m.
May 26	Raging Bull (R)	7 p.m.
May 27	The Blue Lagoon (R)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

May 21	Stunt Rock (PG)	7 p.m.
May 22	Apocalypse Now (R)	7 p.m.
May 25	Charlie Chan and the Curse of the Dragon Queen (PG)	7 p.m.
May 26	The Private Eyes (PG)	7 p.m.
May 27	Raging Bull (R)	7 p.m.

Sports

Golf tournament, run, set to begin

by Charles Taylor

The Army Emergency Relief (AER) Golf Tournament begins May 29 at 12:30 at the Presidio Army Golf Club all interested personnel are encouraged to attend.

For a minimum entry donation of \$5, all you golfers can have your chance at a trip to Puerto Rico for two.

This eight day, seven night vacation in Puerto Rico include: a round trip flight, all transfers and taxes to Dorado Beach, hotel room with ocean view, full breakfast and dinner daily, unlimited golf, tennis, swimming, use of the sauna and health club, plus many extras.

All it takes to win this thousand dollar package is a hole in one on the sixth hole. For a one shot try on the sixth hole for a hole in one, there is a minimum donation of \$2.

The trip to Puerto Rico is just one of the many prizes offered to the contenders of this AER fund raising event.

The awards ceremony will be held at the Presidio Golf Club. To enter the golf tournament sign up at the Presidio Pro Shop or call 751-4063. So don't putt around, support AER, you may need their support.

AER has been helping both active duty and retired soldiers and their families meet emergency financial crises for 39 years. Aid to soldiers has risen about 19 percent a year. AER loans have helped soldiers meet tough emergencies for such things as food, rent, required travel, utilities, medical emergencies and others.



The AER golf tournament beings May 29.

Photo by Jon Chelgren

A 10 kilometer (6 miles), AER sponsored run begins here Saturday at 9 a.m.

Anyone wanting to participate can sign up at the post gym parking lot at 8 a.m. Saturday morning.

The run will be broken down into five age categories, comprised of both male and female. The categories are 19 and under, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, and

50 and over.

The starting point is at the corner of Haleck St. and Lincoln Boulevard. The runners will head down Haleck St. and along the beach bay area towards Long Ave. Running up Long Ave. to Lincoln Boulevard, the runners will continue, passing the cemetery to Sheridan Ave. Going down Sheridan Ave., the runners will turn

off at Montgomery St. towards the starting point on Lincoln and Haleck.

Once the runners have completed this route twice, they will have run 10 kilometers.

There will be a first and second place prize. Entry donation is \$3. All are invited to participate. Bring your family and friends and support the Army Emergency Relief campaign.

Solons chop Oaks

In the first Minor League game of the week, the Solons defeated the Oaks, 10-0. The game remained close throughout, before the Solons managed to mount a decisive rally in the bottom of the fourth inning.

In the second game the Totems sneaked past the Padres on the batting skills of Mario Schiano. Mario had two doubles, a home run, and 5 RBI's. In addition, Eric Freeman drove in two crucial runs with a hard hitting double.

In the bottom of the sixth, with bases loaded and two outs, Erin

McCray hit a grounder to the second baseman Phil Dunigan who reserved the final victory for the Totems.

The final score was the Totems 7 runs, Padres 6.

In the Minor Leagues last game of the week, the Solons defeated the Padres 4-1. It was the combined pitching skills of Kyle Mitchell and Blake Svendsen, who pitched a four hitter, leading the Solons to triumph.

Jerry Smiljanic for the Solons provided much of the hitting power with a double and two singles.

Treasure Island to host Nimitz run on Saturday

The Sixth Annual Nimitz Run, sponsored by the Special Services Department, Naval Station Treasure Island and the NROTC, UC Berkeley will be held Saturday, May 23 at 8:30 a.m. Runners will have the opportunity to run Treasure Island, taking in scenic ocean views of San Francisco, Alcatraz, Oakland, etc. with a choice of two courses: 5K and 10K. The 5K will circumvent flat Treasure Island and the 10K will cover Treasure Island plus the challenging inclines on Yerba Buena Island. Choose either course race day.

Categories by age divisions for each race will include both men and women: 12 years and under, 13-18 years, 19-29 years, 30-39 years, 40-55

years, and 56 and over.

Entry fee is \$5.00. Pre-registration deadline date is May 13. Packets will be mailed to all pre-registrants. Registration will be accepted on race day.

Awards will be presented to the first and second place winners of each division. T-Shirts to all finishers. Refreshments served.

To get to Treasure Island, take the Treasure Island exit off the Bay Bridge and follow the signs. Personnel at the main gate will direct you to parking and race starting line.

For further information, call (415) 642-3551.



Minor League games got underway this week.

Photo by Bill Craig



Where'd you get those peepers?

Janet Hill took this week's Photo of the Week picture of her dog(?) Sandy playing poker. We understand she plays ruff. Keep sending your photos in.

Presidio News Notes

Track meet

Hundreds of San Francisco youngsters will be competing in the ARCO Jesse Owens qualifying meet Saturday, June 6, 10 a.m. at McAteer High School Stadium, 555 Portola Drive.

The ARCO Track and Field Games are named in honor of the late great Olympic hero. They provide novice playground athletes an opportunity to participate in basic running, jumping and throwing events. Signups are now underway at local playgrounds and recreation centers.

Boys and girls 10 to 15 years of age will compete in separate divisions with others in their own age group, 10-11 years, 12-13 years and 14-15 years.

1st, 2nd & 3rd place qualifiers from the San Francisco Meet will then participate in the San Francisco Bay Area Championship Meet Saturday, June 20, 10 a.m. at Edwards Field, University of CA, Berkeley.

The Meet will be held this year as a memorial tribute to Owens who died of cancer last year. The winners of the Championship Games will be presented individual Olympic-type medals for first, second and third place.

The 36 first place winners will travel to Los Angeles on Saturday, August 1 to compete in the National ARCO Jesse Owens Games at U.C.L.A.'s Drake Stadium.

The San Francisco Meet will be coordinated by the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department and is funded by the ARCO-Richfield Company.

For further information, telephone the Athletic Division at 558-4055.

Child care

The Joint Services Child Care Project (JSCCP) is sponsoring a one-day conference on May 29 at the Presidio.

Directors, caregivers and command representatives from each of the twelve installations involved with the Project will participate in the conference to review the progress of the JSCCP and to voice their concerns and future needs in military child care.

Two prominent speakers from the area will address new directions in child care. In the morning Patty Siegel, Executive Director of California Childcare Resource and Referral Network, will speak on "Networking: Where the Military Fits In."

Ethel Seiderman, Director of the Fairfax-San Anselmo Children's Center, will also speak on "Foundations of Care: Assessing Infant and Toddler Needs." The afternoon session will be a panel discussion on "New Horizons for Military Child Care" with inputs from participants regarding ongoing needs of military child care programs.

The conference will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at LAIR Auditorium.

Affirmative action

The Affirmative Action Review Panel (AARP) Planning Meeting will be conducted on May 27 at 9 a.m. in the Audio-Visual Auditorium Bldg. 603. The purpose of this meeting is to review the last AARP minutes and discuss the imple-

mented and/or planned changes, distribute AARP worksheets and address any questionable areas. All proponents, active and inactive, or their representatives will attend this planning meeting. Point of contact is SSG Williams at ext. 3701 or 4602.

Pool hours

Effective June 1, operational hours for the Post Swimming Pool will be:

MONDAY-FRIDAY 9 a.m.-8 p.m.
SATURDAY, SUNDAY, HOLIDAYS 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

Practice times for the Aquarius Swim Club (DYA) will be:
MONDAY - FRIDAY 4-6 p.m.

Bowlers needed

Bowlers are needed to join the Wednesday nite Early Mixers' League now forming. Both females and males are needed. If interested, bowlers are suggested to meet in the bowling center snack bar.

USO supper

All Military and dependents are invited to a 4 p.m. Sunday Supper, June 14, at the San Francisco USO Center, 530 Taylor Street. All the home cooked food is being prepared by The Women's Overseas Services League as a demonstration of their support and admiration for the military in the Bay Area.

Swim class

There are still some openings in the DYA Tiny Tot Swim Class for youngsters between the ages of three to six years old. Call Mr. Raymond Mey, ext. 5051 or 3673 for more information.

Drug awareness

All active duty, retired, civilian personnel, and their dependents are invited to have fun and participate in the Presidio Awareness Fair. The Fair will be open for one day only, Thursday, June 11 from 9 to 4 p.m.

The Awareness Fair will be located outdoors, near Bldg. 910, at the corner of Mauldin and McDonald Streets, just below the Fort Point Coast Guard Station. Plenty of free parking is available.

Sponsored by Presidio Alcohol and Drug Assistance Program, the Fair will feature music by the Sixth Army Band, open-pit barbecued ribs and hot dogs, tents, balloons, and much more. Increase your awareness by participating in a demonstration of the Breathalyzer by the 163rd MP's, viewing movies and recreational equipment, and talking to informed people from many service organizations. Phone ext. 2485 or 2528 for further information on the Awareness Fair.

CID agents

The United States Army Criminal Investigation Command is currently seeking highly qualified career oriented personnel to become special agents in the field of criminal investigation.

Particular emphasis is being placed in female and minority recruiting. Basic requirements may be found in AR 195-3. For further information contact Special Agent Burton, San Francisco Field Office, ext. 5405 or 3577.

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On Arquello Blvd.

Serious accident mars Presidio's holiday weekend

A spectacular one-car accident marred the beginning hours of the Memorial Day weekend on the Presidio last Friday morning.

A 1978 MGB sportscar, driven by Joseph Allietta, 28, reportedly a resident of San Francisco, flipped, rolled and skidded down Arguello Blvd. just above the Presidio Officers' Club.

According to initial reports at the scene, Allietta was attempting to pass another motorist on the twisting, two-lane downhill section of the road when his car went out of control. Allietta was thrown free of the vehicle and, as a grim consequence, was struck and dragged by his car.

Presidio rescue personnel responded to the accident scene, finding Allietta unconscious against the curbing at the intersection of Thomas Ave. and Arguello Blvd. The convertible sports car came to a rest, upright, several yards beyond the victim on the lawn of a residence.

Allietta was taken to Letterman Army Medical Center in serious condition and treated for multiple facial injuries. He was later transferred to San Francisco's Veteran's Hospital where latest reports indicate he is now in stable condition.

Military police traffic investigators are still attempting to determine the exact cause of the crash.



Allietta's sportscar after the accident.

photo by Bill Craig

Quarters not on contaminated list

According to a Department of the Army news source, studies are underway to identify military housing that may be contaminated by Chlordane pesticide.

Chlordane, used in termite control, was banned last year by the Department of Defense for use in certain types of government quarters. The reason for the cut back in its use, according to Army officials, is because everyday, low-level exposure to Chlordane might be potentially harmful to humans.

The chance of finding outright health problems connected with Chlordane pesticides are slim, however, say officials. The effects of low-level exposure to the pesticide are not yet known.

The type of government quarters identified in the report as being the most dangerous when Chlordane is used are the slab-on-grade kind with sub or intra-sub heating or cooling ducts. If the pesticide were applied improperly, these ducts could collect and spread Chlordane vapors throughout a building. Its life expectancy can be 30 years or more.

The Army has 32 posts in the United States with the type of housing that could have been contaminated if proper pesticide application procedures had not been followed. The Presidio was not among those posts listed in the report.

The Presidio, however, is one of the spots where Chlordane is still being used to control termites.

Mr. James Eldridge, Chief of the Building and Grounds Division, Directorate of Facilities Engineering, says there are no quarters on the Presidio of the type which poses a threat when Chlordane is used.

"Anyway," adds Eldridge, "We only use Chlordane for trench type termite control outside of buildings, never on the inside." He says the manner in which the Presidio uses Chlordane, or any pesticide, does not present a health hazard.

The Army will continue to gather facts concerning the use of Chlordane and the health hazards its continued use could have. Information on the subject is expected to be released next month.

City fetes 8 Medal of Honor recipients



Photo by Bill Malkiel

Retired Army Maj. Gen. William F. Dean waves to the crowd.

Bay Area recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor participated in a special service by the city of San Francisco to commemorate Memorial Day last Thursday at the Civic Center Plaza.

Among the eight honored guests attending the ceremony was the oldest living Medal of Honor recipient in the nation, 93-year-old Philip C. Katz of San Francisco. The former sergeant was decorated by General John J. Pershing for rescuing a wounded comrade and carrying him to safety during World War I.

A Presidio officer, Col. Patrick H. Brady, was also one of the honored guests. Brady received the nation's highest award for bravery for a rescue operation he directed near Chu Lai in South Vietnam in 1968. He is now assigned to Army Readiness Region IX.

San Francisco Mayor, Dianne Feinstein paid tribute to them saying, "Their service beyond the call of duty and their truly incredible hero-

ism stand as an inspiration to all who cherish democracy and who love unfettered liberty.

"Our city is proud to pay a richly deserved tribute to those heroes, and to salute the efforts of all who have fought and died in order to preserve and to protect our nation."

Also part of the ceremony was the formal presentation of 18 historical flags to the city from the Bechtel Power Corporation.

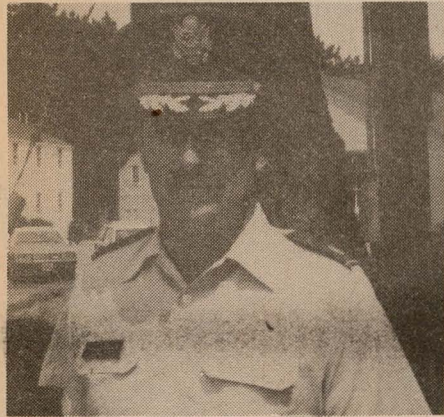
Bechtel is replacing the old flags as a gift to the people of San Francisco. The flags, to be flown on standards in the Plaza, were raised by representatives of the Armed Services throughout the Bay Area, including members of the 170th MP Company here at the Presidio.

Brig. Gen. R.S. Young, Sixth Army Chief of Staff and Col. F. Whitney Hall Jr., post commander, represented the Presidio. Music was provided throughout the ceremony by the Sixth Army Band and the Joint Color Guard from the 504th MP Bn.

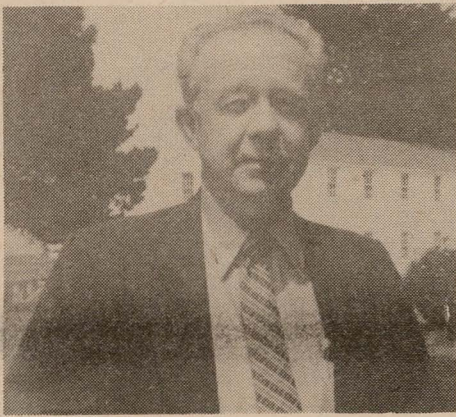
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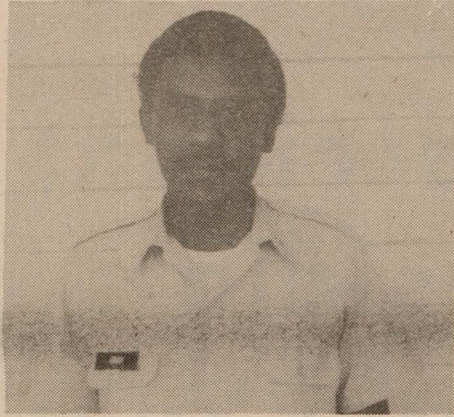
Does the Star Presidian give adequate coverage to subjects of importance to everyone?



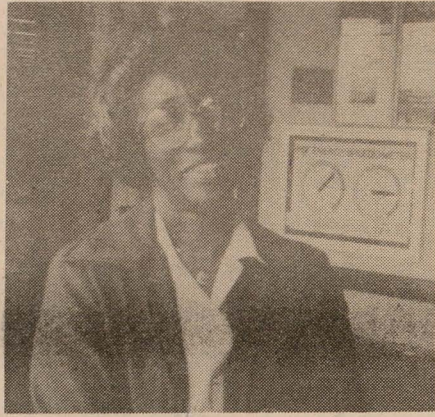
Maj. James Harbison, Readiness Group—"In general terms it covers most of the areas of importance. When you consider the amount of space they have to work with, I think they do a good job."



Mr. Bill Hazen—Defense Investigative Service—"I think it does a good job for a paper of its size. It gives good coverage to all areas, civilian and military."



Pvt. 2 Marshall Oray, COM-PACT—"There are not enough community activity announcements I would like to see Ramblin' Sam every week, the photo of the week in color and some comics, but other than that, you do a good job."



Mrs. Eunice George, Dependent Wife—"Yes, I do think you do a good job. Most of the post activities are listed, and without that, the post wouldn't be aware of what was going on."

Commentary

Presidio—show us your belly-button

by K. Douglas Cook

It was once observed that opinions are like belly-buttons... everyone has one.

This week's "Ramblin' Sam" deals with how this newspaper does its job. In the very near future, we'll be sending out a survey which asks the same question, but more on that in a minute.

For the past several months, I've been keeping track of comments we receive regarding the newspaper. So far, we seem to be batting about .500 with you. Half of you who write or call like our efforts. The other half... well, let's just say that we're lucky

we have been able to retain a sense of humor.

What's of interest is that we have an audience of somewhere over 5,000 of you out there. On an average, we hear from maybe 2 or 3 of you each week. Unless my calculator is broken again, that works out to .0006 percent.

I think I've located Richard Nixon's "Silent Majority!"

There are some other fascinating facts which have come to light during my research on this subject of opinions. For example, most favorable calls and letters come from civilians and soldiers below the grade of E-6.

The unfavorable and critical comments usually come from individuals, active and retired, above the grade of E-6. Of course, every now and again, someone will come along and mess up my research! (Thank you!)

Now don't get us wrong. We need your comments—complimentary or critical. Without some feedback from you, we're like the married couple who finds out they really don't like each other after 30 years!

As mentioned, we're about to give birth to an annual survey of opinions. We'll be asking you how we do our job and what we could do better. If you don't receive a survey form in the

next month, give us a call and we'll be certain you receive one.

If you can't wait. If an opinion about us is about to blossom and you want us to know about it today, you can call us during duty hours at 561-2005. After duty hours we have an obnoxious answering device (which is also for you to use to comment on any subject) which can be reached by calling 561-LINE. Cute, huh.

If you have no opinion, please do me a favor. Finish reading this column, locate a full-length mirror and check your tummy. I just want to be sure, as a public service you, that your belly-button didn't fall off!

Control your pet

Having an animal as a pet is almost an American tradition. Pets, however, are also a big responsibility for owners.

The keeping of any animal on the Presidio is a privilege, not a right, according to post officials. There are both Army and Presidio regulations (PSF) Regulation 40-2) which clearly state what obligations pet owners have on post.

Using dogs as an example, Post Veterinarian Capt. Tom Pool cites some points of responsibility. "The Presidio has a very definite regulation regarding the control of a pet. A dog must be maintained on a leash or under close voice control of the pet's owner."

If an animal, such as a dog, does bite a human, there are specific procedures which must be followed.

"There are investigations done," explains Pool. "If it is the second case of a bite, the animal can be ordered removed from the post."

Pool also says that animals which are considered a menace or nuisance can be removed from the post. "If a complaint is filed, an investigation is done with a recommendation to the post commander.

The commander, in turn, issues a formal letter to the pet owner who must reply. If the owner fails to reply or a second complaint is received, the pet can be ordered removed from the post within three days."

Presidians are encouraged to maintain the proper control over their pets and ensure the privilege of having a pet is not violating the rights of others.

—Readers comment—

Editor,

Reference to the article by K. Douglas Cook entitled "We Are All Bull Goose Looney" in the May 21 issue of the Star Presidian.

The article is a simply superb job of humorously pointing out a contemporary dilemma we face as a society regarding home ownership or the lack thereof.

Please accept my thanks for a timely and well done piece which brightened my day.

Benjamin L. Briel

—Travel pay—

Editor

Jim Parker says "The Travel Section was faced with a sudden and totally unanticipated lack of experienced personnel." If that were true, please explain to your readers how the backlog was cleared or even improved?

Doesn't it stand to reason that if the personnel in the Travel Section are unexperienced, they will be unexperienced for the next several months? Wasn't there even one experienced person left?

Parker says "It took serious action on the part of everyone assigned to the finance office. Does that mean that Civilian Pay, Military Pay, Jumps-RC and the other sections

within the finance office, stopped their work to clear Travel's backlog. Oh, heavens, I hope not.

Parker also says "training takes time." But I ask you who is doing this training, since Travel was left with unexperienced personnel?

It's something about this article that seems missing. Could it be that there was an experienced person left in that Travel section?

Someone who worked very hard to improve that section's backlog? Someone who is training those unexperienced people? Someone who also taught and directed the other sections within the Finance Office how to compute travel vouchers?

Let's give credit where credit is due!!

Concerned Reader

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Just dropping in

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First and second platoon members of D. Co. 864th Engineers practice repelling from a 124th ARCOM aircraft as part of a 10 week training cycle. The Engineers made two jumps, one from 30 feet, then one from 90 feet.

Post Boy Scout is promoted to Eagle

In a recent ceremony, an 18-year-old boy scout was promoted to the highest level of scouting.

Marvin Green Jr., was promoted to Eagle Scout in Presidio's Pack 77 after successfully completing a community improvement project and earning the required number of merit badges.

Green, who has been a scout for seven years, attends San Francisco State University. He chose the Marin Municipal Water Department camp in Marin County for his project.

The camp, which has been closed because of poor water lines, was chosen by Green because, "it had to be something to benefit the community, not just reroofing your scout building," he explains, "and a girl scout group has been working there and a few other groups, to get it reopened, and everytime someone else helps out, it comes that much closer to reopening," he adds.

Green's project, which required him to supervise seven scouts, took a total of 130 hours to complete and included residing and cleaning out one of the buildings in the camp.

After completing the project, Green had to submit a report to the Eagle Scout board for approval of the project and the promotion.

Green notes that the troop is always looking for new members, "right now we have between 25 and 30 active members, it would be nice if we could get the troop up to 50," says Green.

"The scouts are getting ready to go to summer camp and are planning high-adventure back packing trips in August," Green adds.

Anyone interested in becoming either scouts or merit counselors should contact the troop during their Wednesday night meetings from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the recycling center building at ext 5523.

Soldier injured in fall

A Presidio soldier was injured in a fall from a barracks building on Wednesday.

Sgt. Murray Kyzer, Company D, 864th Engineer Bn. was working on the roof of Bldg. 1208 when the accident occurred. According to a witness, Kyzer slipped while sweeping and fell

two stories to the ground.

He was taken to the emergency room at Letterman Army Medical Center and treated for trauma, a fractured arm and multiple bruises.

A LAMC spokesman reported that Kyzer was in stable condition yesterday morning.

Patient better, blood donors still needed

In a recent article published in the Star Presidian, LAMC doctors asked for white blood cell donors to help patients like Carl, a 23-year-old leukemia patient from Greenfield Calif. who was being treated at LAMC.

According to Carl's doctor Maj. Stephen Volk, Carl, who has had the bone marrow disease for two years, is now in his fourth remission and is home with his family. The white blood cells helped Carl through the period when the risk of infection was very great.

Although response to the article was good, donors are still needed, according to the officials.

"We received about 20 calls in response to the article," explains the director of LAMC's cell separator unit Maj. Howard Davidson. "Eleven of those showed up, but two of those had further health problems, so they could not donate, so we got about nine donors total."

"Unlike whole blood, white blood cells cannot be stored for more than 24 hours, so donors are placed on a roster and called when their blood type is needed."

"We had about 25 people on the list before," explains Davidson, "so nine is a significant number, but the summer is when we lose a lot of people because of turnover. We still need donors desperately."

Carl suffers from leukemia, a malignant bone marrow disease, that is normally treated with chemotherapy, (anti-cancer medication). Because of the effects of the disease and the chemotherapy treatments, patients have a very low white blood cell count," Davidson explains. "This loss of white blood cells causes susceptibility and almost

always results in serious bacterial infections.

The donation process which takes only three to four hours, involves being hooked up to a cell separator machine which removes blood from one arm, passes it through a filter which removes the white blood cells, and returns the remaining plasma to the donor.

"Healthy bodies ability to produce white blood cells is such," he states, "that the amount we remove has really no impact on the donor at all in terms of risk of infection. There is no risk of even a temporary susceptibility to infection."



Photo by John Green

Memorial Day Services

A Memorial Day visitor walks through the San Francisco National Cemetery on the Presidio last Monday. A crowd of several hundred attended the ceremony

honoring America's fallen heroes. Veterans from the Indian Wars through the Vietnam era are buried in the cemetery.

World's largest foot race

Story and photos by Jon Chelgren

"Good Lord what am I doing here?" That question keeps running through my mind as I gaze at the race clock showing a mere 15 minutes left to the start.

Beside me my bride of a week is also anxiously waiting out the countdown. While many honeymooning couples travel to exotic places like Hawaii—we have travelled to Howard and Spear streets in downtown San Francisco for the 70th running of the Bay to Breakers Race.

It is billed as the world's largest foot race and this year it has drawn 40,000 runners out on an early Sunday morning to cruise the city from the bay side out to the breakers on Ocean Beach.

Actually "race" is a misnomer. Except for a chosen few "class" runners who start ahead of the pack, there is no possibility of a race at all. There is too little pavement and too many feet pounding it. The object is pure enjoyment.

Pure enjoyment in the Bay to Breakers means hauling your carcass across the city for 7.63 miles just so that you can claim a t-shirt that proves you were insane enough to do it.

Our day had started early—5 a.m.—with a quick shower, a cup of coffee and a drive to the city in search of parking. Along the way runners were out in mass. Crossing the Golden Gate Bridge, passing bus stops along Geary or watching the growing crowds on Market Street, all we saw were runners and would be runners headed toward the starting line.

Wrong line

We had arrived at the starting area with plenty of time to spare. One hour and 30 minutes show on the race clock as we assembled in a growing crowd near the YMCA. Is this the starting line? No. This is the line for the toilets and we head down the block and search for a place to warm up.

I might mention here that my mate is much more athletic than I am and frequently runs. For my part, I trained long and hard for this race. The regimen required me to smoke two and a half packs of cigarettes a day and keep my elbows healthy enough for the expected post-race celebrations.

As I think this over while I stretch my leg muscles—with so few it takes very little time—I keep remembering the line that area sportscasters have been selling for weeks—if you can run two miles, you can run the Bay to Breakers.

'Quick arithmetic tells us we are running at an 'astounding' 14-minute a mile pace. 'That's slow...'

Then a man passes by with a shirt that reads "Boston Marathon 1981." Oh great, just what I need—a guy that takes all this seriously. Maybe I ought to start way back and stay out of this guy's way.

We find a place behind the starting line a half a block down Howard Street. We are surrounded by 40,000 other runners ranging from those in \$75 custom running shoes to a guy wearing a pair of shower shoes. And judging by the costumes on some runners, there are enough zanies here to keep Letterman's 4 West in business for a year.

The race begins

A yell goes up. They have just announced that race time is only five minutes away. Everyone here is in a festive mood. Folks are friendly. Strangers are exchanging small talk. Some people like myself are smiling to cover our fear of running farther than we ever have before.

An object flying past catches my eye and brings me out of my thoughts. Someone has ripped off their sweatshirt and tossed it back into the pack. It starts a storm of clothes flying. A bra comes sailing past. Like I said, this crowd is in a festive mood.

Finally the inevitable happens and the crowd picks up the chant, "...three, two, one!" A yell goes up, the crowd surges forward and then stops. With this many runners jamming the streets, we wait and wait and wait. Slowly the crowd shuffles forward in one giant mass. From our place half a block back, it takes us a full seven minutes to cross the starting line.

For most of the first mile up Howard we are walking. Then we start jogging, then walk again. We keep waiting for it to speed up, open up a little and at long last it does. I am letting my mate set the pace. Left to my own devices, I would make the mistake of surging out too fast and would die long before the finish line.

It is almost impossible to set a decent pace in this crowd. We hop onto the sidewalk, slash around cars, knife back into the pack and then back onto the sidewalk. It will go on like this all day as we try desperately to get some clear running room.

We are still on Howard as we pass a group of old winos who are out (or at least on their feet) to cheer us on. When we turn onto Ninth Street, one of them is outside a dive extolling the virtues of a quick pick-me-up. Some runners cut through the crowd and disappear inside. Again this crowd is in a festive mood.

As we pass the two mile marker, a race official is calling out times. Quick arithmetic tells us we are running at an "astounding" 14-minute a mile pace. That's slow regardless of your physical shape.

We are on Hayes Street and head up the "infamous Hayes Street hill." People are actually stopping and walking at the foot of it. The hill proves to be relatively easy despite the monster that the news media have built it up to be. The most serious problem is just getting around slower runners.

Halfway up the hill, an ambulance is parked at the side of the road with its lights flashing. A police sergeant is directing runners away from the scene as if he were directing cars in a traffic jam. Someone yells, "Let's hear it for the sergeant," and the crowd comes to life. (Later we will learn from newspaper reports that a fellow runner collapsed and died at the scene.)

Rocky, Blues Brothers

Still climbing we run past a house where someone has thoughtfully placed a stereo speaker at the window and is playing the theme from "Rocky" at full volume as an inspiration to us. The crowd hollers their appreciation.

Cresting the hill, I pause for a few minutes to take a couple of quick photos. As I dig into my pack for the camera, the Blues Brothers swing past me followed in close order by a couple in full wedding regalia. They are what the Bay to Breakers is really all about. Fun.

Photos finished, I rush down the hill to catch up with my wife. Trying to run at a decent pace in this crowd is bad enough. Trying to make up time and search for one runner among tens of thousands is impossible.



Some people advertized.

Still, I keep going without thinking about how fast. It's just more of the up-on-the-sidewalk-around-the-cards-knife-through-the-crowd-bit.

I fly past some people and hear a few make comments. "There's something wrong with that boy," someone behind me says. He may be right, but then sanity has never been my strong suit.

Heading into the park I pass the four mile marker and suddenly realize how far I have gone. With so much to keep me preoccupied I have scarcely noticed that I have been running for more than a steady 40 minutes. Still my legs are strong, I am running well and I seem to have plenty left for the finish.

Then I see a flash of blue in front of me that signals that my wife is within sight. I continue knitting through the pack, starting, stopping and changing direction like a scrawny Tony Dorsett facing the Pittsburgh Steelers a thousand fold.

I catch up with her before the fifth mile and settle back into our pace. As we cruise through the park the crowds get larger and larger. They are cheering us as if we are all Olympians headed for the gold. When we pass through the Park Presidio underpass, we see a sign someone has hoisted for a friend. "Go for it Ralph," the sign proclaims. The crowd picks up the chant and wherever Ralph is, he now has thousands of runners egging him on.

As we come up on mile six, a tugging in my left achilles tendon sends waves of anxiety through me. All the starting and stopping short has started to tell. No, I can't go this far and not make it. I pray that my body's warning signals will be silent and for a few minutes that works. Then the tugging and now some pain returns. This time it's a little stronger.

The Great Highway

As I wonder how much longer I will be able to keep going—Please let me finish the race!—a great yell comes from in front of me. There it is, mile seven! It makes me forget the achilles tendon. I am home free now.

We round the corner onto the Great Ocean Highway and see the finish line. This is it! Real excitement and a sense of accomplishment sweeps through the crowd and us. We try breaking into a sprint despite the slower crowd of runners around us. We cross the finish line and log a corrected time of 1 hour and 11 minutes. We finish way behind thousands of others and well ahead of thousands more that are still streaming across the finish line.

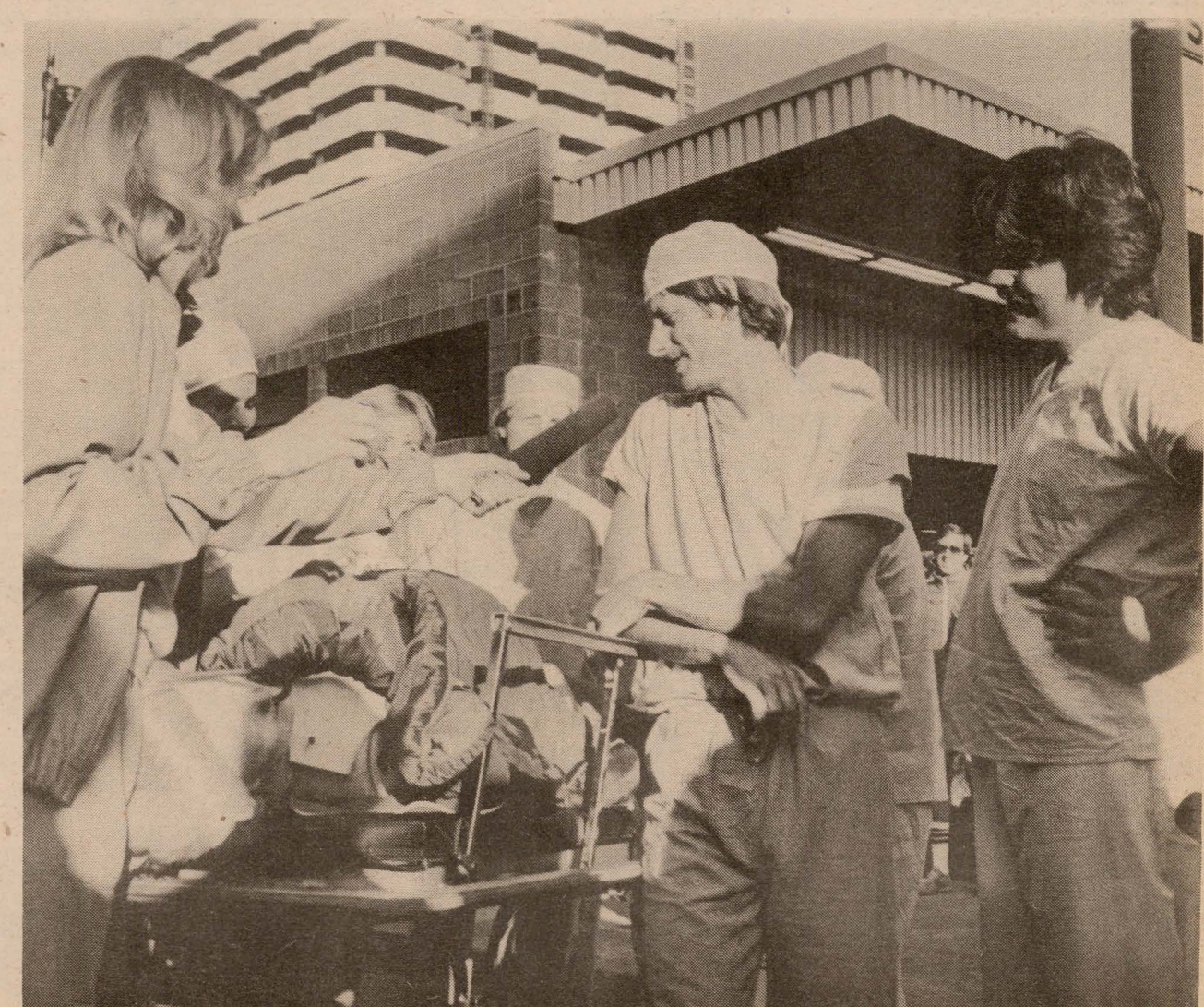
Hours later while hoisting a victory pint in an Irish pub on Geary, we tally our victory. We flew faster than the space shuttle, outran a fire truck, left a tree in our dust, demolished a pack of M&M's, beat a couple on their way to a post-race wedding and smoked a BART train (no great accomplishment, huh?).

Our feelings of excitement are beginning to wane now and are replaced by the realization that it's all over. There won't be another race like this until next year.

A radio newscaster drones on about the record time that Craig Virgin won the race in. We look at one another, hoist our glasses in a toast and say, "Maybe if we train real hard and I quit smoking, next year we might just..."



This entry was bottled-up in the pack.



Stanford's track team ran with a gourney.



A view from the middle of the pack looking down Hayes Hill.

Time to spare

Water sports highlight activities

Sacramento Delta Cruise—
On Saturday, June 20, the Recreation Center is sponsoring a "Delta Cruise" up the Sacramento River.

The Delta, equal in size to the states of Connecticut, Delaware, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Rhode Island, is one of the world's wonders.

Beginning a century ago, the Delta was reclaimed by Chinese coolies and now consists of some of the richest farming land in the world.

The 886 islands range from five feet above sea level to 21 feet below sea level.

Stretched end to end, it is estimated that the waterways of the Delta would reach from San Francisco to New York City. One thousand miles are navigable for pleasure cruisers and houseboats.

The price of \$28.50 includes pick-up at the Presidio Recreation Center, boat accommodations, tour of "Old Sacramento" and bus back to San Francisco. For additional information contact the Presidio Recreation Center.

"GYPSY," the big Broadway musical, opens at the Presidio Playhouse on Friday, June 12, at 8 p.m.

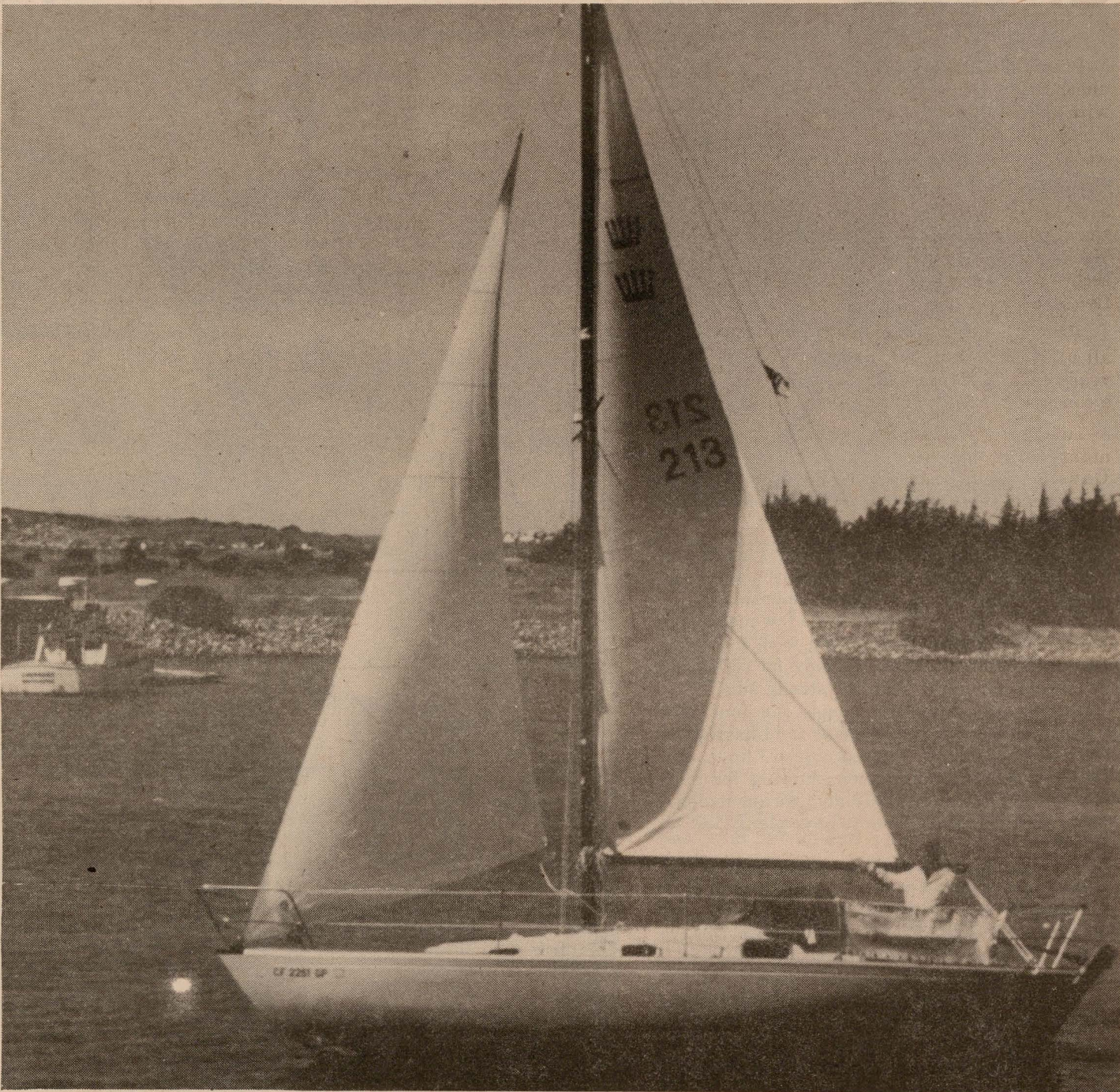
There will be 15 performances on weekends, through July 12. It has been selected as the Presidio entry in the 1981 Forces Command Festival of the Performing Arts.

Featured in the cast of 50 are Ann Homrig-Hausen as Moma Rose and Captain Mary Jo McConnel as Louise (Gypsy Rose Lee).

In last year's Festival, Ann Homrig-Hausen won the "Best Actress in a Musical" award in the title role in "Mame" at the Presidio.

At that time, Captain McConnell was stationed at Fort Hood, where she won an "Award of Excellence" for her role in "Man of La Mancha." Now the two winners are cast together, as mother and daughter.

Beginning June 8, tickets for



Delta Cruise and other water sports on Rec. Center's activity list.

"Gypsy" will be available at the Playhouse Box Office from 1-5 p.m. Tickets are \$3.50, and \$1 less for military personnel, dependents, retired military, and reservists, upon presentation of ID card.

For performance dates and ticket

information, call 561-3992, during Box Office hours.

Moonlite Bowling every Sunday night is becoming increasingly popular at your Presidio lanes. There is lots of fun and instant cash for the

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Lunch Hour Special—Tuesday through Friday except on holidays, 50¢ per line from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Regular line fee is 75¢

Bay Area restaurant review★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★

Firehouse No. 1 Bar-B-Que
6th and Clement Street
San Francisco, CA
(415) 386-5882
Carl English, Proprietor
by K. Douglas Cook

Having spent the last several years in the South, I had redefined what the term "bar-b-que" means. While the smells seem the same, what is served is quite different!

So when Carl English's Firehouse No. 1, located about nine minutes' drive from the Main Post of the Presidio, caught my eye, I expected to find chopped pork or beef along with the other offerings.

Alas, although Carl claims to have the "best Bar-B-Que in the whole damn town," he doesn't seem to have the type any Southerner would recall. Here, however, is the only disappointment.

Firehouse No. 1 offers a selection of ribs, chicken and links to eat there or take out. This rather smallish corner store also offers the expected variety of baked beans, potato salad and cole slaw. What's most interesting is that you can choose just how

hot and spicy you desire the bar-b-que.

The 'One Alarm' sauce was quite spicy enough for my tastes, but those of you who regularly gulp ignited rocket fuel will definitely enjoy the 'Three Alarm' version! Even at the first alarm stage, I found myself mopping my brow several times during the meal.

I selected the Sampler (\$12) which is composed of six very meaty ribs, four smallish pieces of chicken and two halfed links. Served with this offering are two small containers of baked beans, spicy and delicious, and two biscuits which were nothing special.

The highlight of this meal is the ribs. They are excellently cooked with the heady flavors of sauce and hickory. A big eater will find trouble finishing more than four at one sitting.

Service at Firehouse No. 1, whether by design or by some stream of consciousness, is like that of other bar-b-que houses cross this country. It seems one must be a repeat patron

and a known quantity before the folks behind the counter warm up.

Getting to Firehouse No. 1 is no problem although the parking, which is on the street and metered, can cause some delays during the busier hours. Cash would be the most advisable medium of exchange.

The prices are a bit steep, ranging from \$1.95 for a single link to an average of \$7.00 for a single full order with drinks. Beer, wine, bottled

water and the aforementioned side orders are available with some fascinating out of character desserts such as Chocolate Mousse Torte.

The hours vary from weekdays to weekends, but you will find Firehouse No. 1 open during peak noon and evening dining hours. If you do plan to eat your bar-b-que there, be sure to check out the pictures on the walls. Surely a firefighter's dream.
RATING: 2 SPOONS

At the movies

Presidio Theater

May 29
May 30
May 30
May 31
June 1
June 2
June 3

Tribute (PG)
The Magic of Lassie (G)
The Big Red One (PG)
The Final Conflict (R)
Tribute (PG)
The Big Red One (PG)
The Final Conflict (R)

7 p.m.
2 p.m.
7 p.m.
7 p.m.
7 p.m.
7 p.m.
7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

May 29
June 1
June 2
June 3

The Blue Lagoon (R)
Tribute (PG)
The Big Red One (PG)
The Final Conflict (R)

7 p.m.
7 p.m.
7 p.m.
7 p.m.

Sports

Chapel youth roll down the river

Presidio's Chapel Youth added another trophy to their collection with their second place finish in the Young Life Black Bart Raft Race last week.

Chapel Youth, a dependent youth activity group has participated in the annual raft race for the past nine years, and has taken either first or second place in their division the past five years.

Approximately 5,000 people from all over California took part in this year's race which was highlighted by a concert the night before the race.

The Presidio youngsters spent the night before the race in the Fair Oaks Presbyterian Church and started out the next morning for the point of the race where everyone began putting their rafts together.

Most of the rafts, like the Presidio's, were made of inner-tubes tied together.

All of the rafts were launched into the river and anchored into place by ropes tied to a bridge which runs over the Sacramento River.

At the signal to start, all of the ropes were dropped and the rafts were on their way.

Funds to help pay for the trip come from various recycling and food booth efforts they participated in as well as from the Post Thrift Shop.



photo by Tim Dewar

Chapel youth took second in Black Bart raft race.

For the past three weeks, Post Gym No. 2, Bldg. 1152, has been the stage for the 1981 "Two on Two" PSF Basketball Championship. Eleven teams participated in this hotly contested double elimination tournament that proved to be a total success.

After twenty games had been played, and nine teams had been eliminated, the final act brought

together two teams in what proved to be a superb display of roundball skill.

The whistle to begin play for this final clash pitted the hustling, hard driving, intense team of John Davis and Scott Carr against the sharpshooting, silky-smooth, lightning quick team of Antho Braddy and Billy "Chilly" Williams. This sweat-drenched, action packed showdown was truly an awesome demonstra-

tion of what basketball is all about.

When the dust settled on the court and supervisor Tauaese Tauaese put the fire out in the nets, the score of 21-17 was all that was left besides two teams that nodded at each other in mutual respect. The undefeated team of Antho Braddy and Billy Williams had emerged as the undisputed 1981 PSF "Two on Two" Basketball Champs.

Sport shorts

Runners wanted

A team to represent the Presidio in the Corporate Cup Relays (June 27-28, 1981) is being formed. The distance to be run will range from 1/4 mile to 10 kilometers for the men and from 1/4 mile to 5 kilometers for the women. There is also masters competition (40 years and over).

All interested people should contact the following personnel by Friday:

Women—Linda Wettstein at ext. 5875

Men—Jim Moore at ext. 5545

Department of the Army civilians and active duty military are eligible for this competition.

Tournament results

Golf Tournament—Thirty-eight enthusiastic golfers participated in this year's 36 hole competition, Spring Tournament, held at the Presidio Army Golf Course. Golf results are as follows:

OPEN DIVISION—39 years and under

Low Gross—1st Place—Bobby Tate, 161, 6th Army. 2nd Place—Ken Volk, 180, LAIR.

Low Net—1st Place—Gary Dutcher, 145, LAIR; 2nd Place—Gary Woods, 146, 504th MP BN

SENIOR DIVISION—40 years and over

Low Gross—1st Place—Paul Niemann, 164, USAG; 2nd Place—Ed Tengan, 174, Army Recruiting, Oakland

Low Net—1st Place—Larry Peate, 141, ARRIX; 2nd Place—John Weaver, 146, ARRIX

CALLAWAY DIVISION

Low Gross—1st Place—Leroy Cole, 170, LAMC; 2nd Place—Blaine Hendricks, 176, Physical Eval Board.

Low Net—1st Place—Michael Todd, 150, LAIR; 2nd Place—Ken Cousens, 153, LAMC

The next major golf tournament will be the Commander's Cup Tournament, to be held August 11 and 12 at the Presidio Army Golf Course. Tee times will start at 8 a.m. This will also be a 36 hole competition.

All-Army track

The All-Army Track and Field Team ventured to the Wamerdam Classic at Fresno State University over the Memorial Day weekend and came away with several individual and team awards. Highlights of the meet are as follows.

William Lloyd, in the triple jump jumped 53'4", fourth place, qualified for the TAC National Championship, June 19-21 at Sacramento.

400 meter relay team ran a seasonal best of 40.81 for a fourth place finish. Team members are Kenny Baldwin, Jerome Morgan, Greg Fitts, and Lester Washington.

Lester Washington won his heat in the 200 meter in 21.40, while Jerome Morgan ran a 21.55 for fourth place in the second heat.

The 1600 meter relay team composed of Dennis Hardin, 49.3, Lester Washington, 47.4, Cornel Quarles, 49.8, and Keith Miles, 48.3 ran the relay in 3:15.4 for a second place and their seasonal best.

The team will compete in the District TAC Meet at San Jose City College on Sunday. The next day the team will depart for the Interservice Championship to be hosted by the Marines at the US Naval Academy, Annapolis, June 3 and 4.

Softball standings

Team standings as of May 26, 1981 for the Fort Scott and the Presidio Softball League are:

FORT SCOTT LEAGUE		
TEAM	WON	LOST
6th ARMY	3	0
DOCTORS	3	0
COAST GUARD	2	1
OAKLAND	2	1
864th ENGRS	2	1
MSC, LAMC	1	2
170th MP CO	1	2
PHS	1	2
51st ENGRS	0	3
MSAD	0	3

PRESIDIO LEAGUE		
TEAM	WON	LOST
LAIR NO. 1	4	0
B CO, LAMC	3	1
504th MP BN	3	1
FOUR SEASONS	3	1
INSCOM	3	1
USAG	3	1
LAIR NO. 2	1	3
163rd MP CO	0	4
ATTORNEYS	0	4
USACC	0	4

Game results for the week:
FORT SCOTT LEAGUE
Coast Guard, 10—MSC, LAMC, 7

DOCTORS, 9—170th MP CO, 3
6th ARMY, 11—OAKLAND, 5
PHS 16—MSAD, 5
6th ARMY, 5—864th ENGRS, 1
DOCTORS, 5—PHS, 4
COAST GUARD, 16—MSAD, 2
OAKLAND, 15—MSC, LAMC, 5
MSC, LAMC, 16—170th MP CO, 6
OAKLAND, 15—MSAD, 4
6th ARMY, 5—MSAD, 4
864th ENGRS, 5—COAST GUARD, 4

PRESIDIO LEAGUE
B CO, LAMC, 10—504th MP BN, 3
FOUR SEASONS, 9—163rd MP CO, 1
LAIR NO. 1, 16—USACC, 0
INSCOM, 19—LAIR NO. 2, 0
INSCOM, 10—USACC, 9
USAG, 10—LAIR NO. 2, 1
LAIR NO. 1, 9—FOUR SEASONS, 0
504th MP BN, 8—ATTORNEYS, 6
B CO, LAMC, 9—163rd MP CO, 1
LAIR NO. 1, 22—163rd MP CO, 1
FOUR SEASONS, 13—INSCOM, 7
USAG, 23—USACC, 1
B CO, LAMC, 11—ATTORNEYS, 9
504th MP BN, 12—LAIR NO. 2, 4
504th MP BN, 11—USACC, 7
LAIR NO. 2, 7—ATTORNEYS, 0
INSCOM, 6—163rd MP CO, 5
FOUR SEASONS, 14—USAG, 5
LAIR NO. 1, 5—B CO, LAMC, 2

Exercise class

A beginners and an intermediate exercise class will be offered at the Post Gym No. 2, Bldg. 1152, on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning June 9 and continuing for four weeks. Cost will be \$20 for the eight lessons. Times for beginners will be 4:30-5:30 p.m., and the intermediate class will be 5:30-6:30 p.m. For additional information, contact Mr. Robert Darling, ext. 4120.

Presidio News Notes



Photo of the week

The ever popular Skyline shot of San Francisco by F. L. Terry won this week's top honors in the Photo of the Week competition. Keep sending your photos to

Pool hours

Effective June 1, operational hours for the Post Swimming Pool will be:

MONDAY-FRIDAY 9 a.m.-8 p.m.
SATURDAY, SUNDAY, HOLIDAYS
11 a.m.-5 p.m.

Practice times for the Aquarius Swim Club (DYA) will be:
MONDAY - FRIDAY 4-6 p.m.

Track meet

Hundreds of San Francisco youngsters will be competing in the ARCO Jesse Owens qualifying meet Saturday, June 6, 10 a.m. at McAteer High School Stadium, 555 Portola Drive.

The ARCO Track and Field Games are named in honor of the late great Olympic hero. They provide novice playground athletes an opportunity to participate in basic running, jumping and throwing events. Signups are now underway at local playgrounds and recreation centers.

Boys and girls 10 to 15 years of age will compete in separate divisions with others in their own age group, 10-11 years, 12-13 years and 14-15 years.

1st, 2nd & 3rd place qualifiers from the San Francisco Meet will then participate in the San Francisco Bay Area Championship Meet Saturday, June 20, 10 a.m. at Edwards Field, University of CA, Berkeley.

The Meet will be held this year as a memorial tribute to Owens who died of cancer last year. The winners of the Championship Games will be presented individual Olympic-type medals for first, second and third place.

The 36 first place winners will

travel to Los Angeles on Saturday, August 1 to compete in the National ARCO Jesse Owens Games at U.C.L.A.'s Drake Stadium.

The San Francisco Meet will be coordinated by the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department and is funded by the ARCO-Richfield Company.

For further information, telephone the Athletic Division at 558-4055.

USO supper

All Military and dependents are invited to a 4 p.m. Sunday Supper, June 14, at the San Francisco USO Center, 530 Taylor Street. All the home cooked food is being prepared by The Women's Overseas Services League as a demonstration of their support and admiration for the military in the Bay Area.

Drug awareness

All active duty, retired, civilian personnel, and their dependents are invited to have fun and participate in the Presidio Awareness Fair. The Fair will be open for one day only, Thursday, June 11 from 9 to 4 p.m.

The Awareness Fair will be located outdoors, near Bldg. 910, at the corner of Mauldin and McDonald Streets, just below the Fort Point Coast Guard Station. Plenty of free parking is available.

Sponsored by Presidio Alcohol and Drug Assistance Program, the Fair will feature music by the Sixth Army Band, open-pit barbecued ribs and hot dogs, tents, balloons, and much more. Increase your awareness by participating in a demonstration of the Breathalyzer by the 163rd MP's, viewing movies and recreational equipment, and talking to informed

Bldg. 37, Rm. 214. If you want us to return your photos, include a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

people from many service organizations. Phone ext. 2485 or 2528 for further information on the Awareness Fair.

Col. F. Whitney Hall Jr., post commander, recently proclaimed the week of June 8-12 as Presidio Alcohol and Drug Awareness Week.

Youth swimming

Summer is coming and Red Cross and Dependent Youth Activities are planning for youth swimming classes July 6 through August 14. We need more Water Safety Aides. Anyone interested in being an Aide please call Nancy Hunter 386-8764.

Airline tickets

Unused airline tickets are being surrendered by many travelers to carrier ticket agents in return for a refund application form. This is an undesirable practice as it creates additional paperwork and can delay refunds to the government for the value of such tickets.

Travelers are advised to turn in these tickets only to the Personnel Movements Section, Transportation Division, Building 39—to insure appropriate refund action is initiated and files are cleared.

Assertive training

Social Work will be sponsoring an "Assertive Training" workshop in the LAMC Conference (Rm. 358), on June 19 from 8-11:30 a.m.

Various aspects of assertiveness will be explored to include defining of assertiveness, self awareness issues, and practical exercises. All individuals who feel a need to deal with life more assertively are invited

to attend. For reservations or further information, please contact Floyd Gray at ext. 2174.

Social Work will be sponsoring an "Alternatives to Loneliness" group at the Social Work Conference Room, Bldg. 1050 on Wednesday evenings from 7-9 p.m. The first meeting is slated for June 24. Individuals who are divorced or separated from a "significant other" are invited to attend. For reservations or further information, please contact Floyd Gray at ext. 2174.

Soccer camp

The California Youth Soccer Association will sponsor a Youth Soccer Camp at Paul Goode field on July 6-10. The camp will be for boys and girls, all ages, and will include instruction by licensed United States Soccer Federation coaches.

The cost of the program is \$35 per child, and includes a camp t-shirt, and refreshments. The cost to enlisted families will be \$15.00 per child.

Please note that only the first 20 enlisted family children who sign-up will be eligible for the reduced registration fee. Fees may be paid at the Morale Support Activities office, Bldg. 122.

Parent/youth club

A meeting of the Presidio Parent/Youth Club will be held on June 4, 1981 at 7:30 p.m. in Bldg. 912 (near Coast Guard Station). The topics to be discussed are summer activities, budget, DYA Adhoc Meeting notes, and purchase of equipment.

Any other items of interest by members are welcomed. For more information call Bartley Porter, DYA, 5143 or Maj. McKenzie, HRDD, ext. 3701.

Soldiers may have to pay school tuition

A proposal presently pending in Congress could result in military personnel being asked to pay the tuition cost of their children attending public schools.

In a letter to post judge advocates, the Department of the Army's chief of litigation says there is a move underway in Congress to terminate impact aid to local school districts. Impact aid is paid by the federal government to local school districts to cover tuition costs for dependent children of military personnel.

In his letter, Col. Arnold Melnick, Office of the Judge Advocate General, says that certain states

have already proposed or enacted legislation authorizing school districts to charge on-post personnel tuition for each child attending public schools. "This," he says, "is in anticipation of the possibility that congress may actually terminate impact aid."

Melnick adds that in some instances, local school officials have already notified some installations of their intentions to charge tuition. School districts here in the San Francisco Bay Area have neither contacted local military installations nor shown any concern over the possibility of impact aid being terminated.

Viewed as an issue which could impact significantly upon the welfare and morale of those military persons affected, Melnick asks that his office be notified as soon as possible if local school districts intend to charge tuition. He adds, "If a school district actually attempts to charge tuition, we will consider initiating legal action to prevent it."

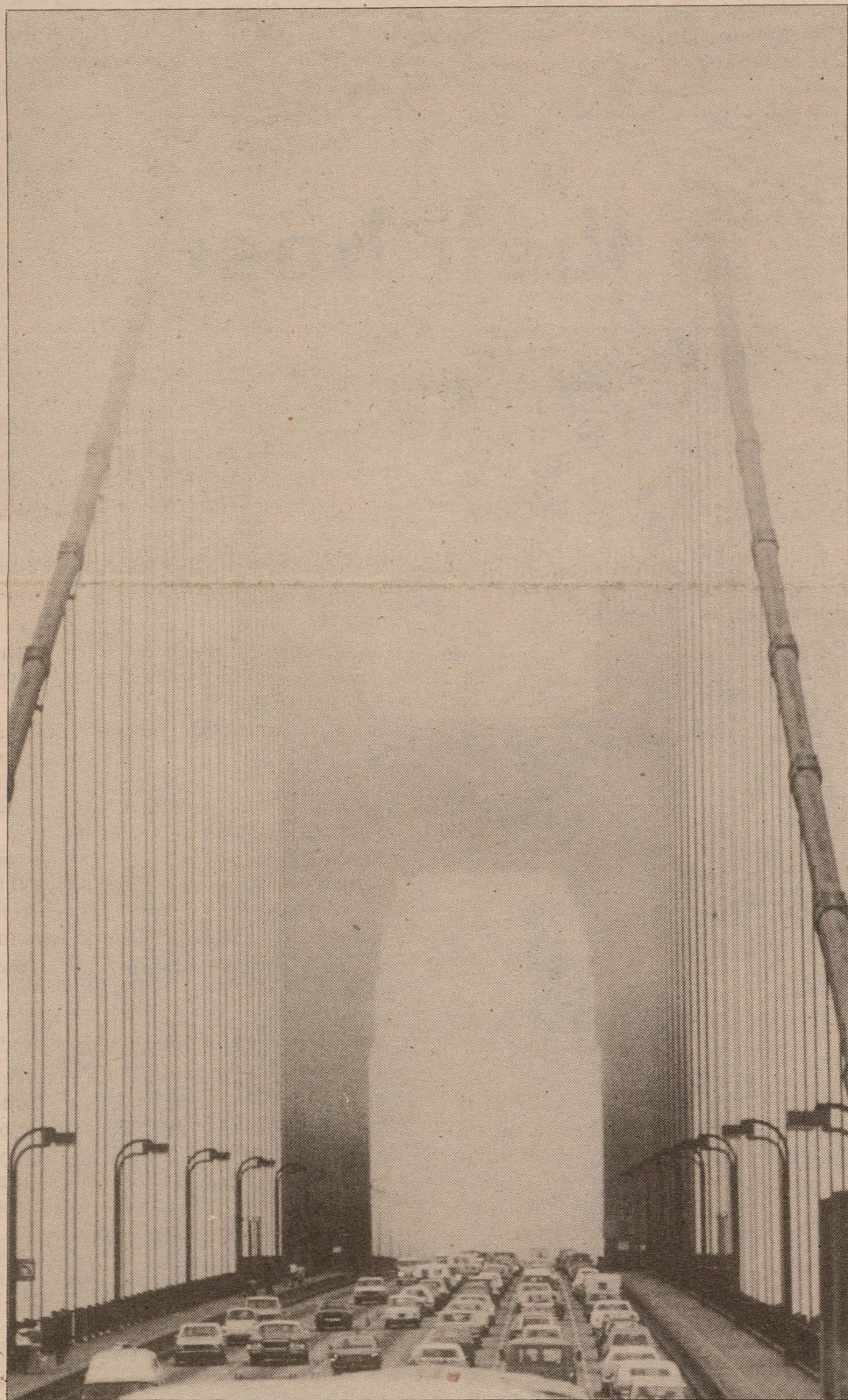
In response to this issue, Lt. Col. Harvey Kaplan, staff judge advocate of the Presidio has asked that his office be notified immediately if attempts to charge tuition are made by any local school districts serving dependent children. The number to call is ext. 5591.

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'Sunny' California

Foggy days signal that summer is coming to the Bay Area. During the next few months, the fog will at times be a daily routine. It can cause traffic jams like this one and often causes unsafe driving conditions. Motorists should use extreme caution when these conditions exist.

photo by Tim Dewar

AER fund drive

Presidians top last years total, more money expected

With twelve days left in the Army Emergency Relief's (AER) 1981 fund drive, officials say the Presidio has already beaten last years total of \$29,625 by more than \$2000, with total pledges at \$31,006.

Army regulation 930-4 describes AER as a private, non-profit organization established to collect and hold funds to relieve distress of members of the Army and their dependents.

The fund drive is an annual voluntary collection of money from Army personnel. The funds go only to active duty Army personnel, reserve, national guard and in some cases dependents and orphans of retired Army members.

This year, two AER fund raising events were held on the Presidio to

help raise money. The AER 10 kilometer run, held May 23, raised approximately \$38 for the campaign.

The more successful AER Golf Tournament, which raised over \$900, featured an eight day trip to Puerto Rico for the first golfer to get a hole in one on the sixth hole. The vacation, donated by local businessman Carl Davis, was won at approximately 5 p.m. Sunday by a Mr. Myres, a guest of a civilian employee. The team of John Deloach and Joel Hobson took first place in the tournament.

A Number of local businessmen, showing their support to the Army community, donated prizes for the tournament. Over 50 prizes, ranging from a gold putter to a one pound salami were awarded to tournament competitors.

July pay hike postponed

A 5.3 percent pay raise scheduled for July 1 has been deferred for three months meaning that Presidio soldiers will have to wait until October to see a boost in their pay checks.

The deferment was announced last week and is aimed at trimming about 4 billion from this fiscal year's budget deficit. That deficit is estimated to run as high as \$60 billion.

The action came as Congress continues hearings on the resident's proposed budget for fiscal year 1982 which begins October 1.

What the deferment means to Presidio soldiers is that they may see

the 5.3 percent increase on top of next year's proposed 9.1 percent raise for a total pay hike of 14.4 percent in October.

However, an Army spokesman, Lt. Col. Jeffrey Cook, cautioned the *Star Presidian* Tuesday that the 9.1 is only proposed and has not yet met with congressional approval. Because of that he stressed that the 14.4 percent figure is not yet certain.

He noted that the figure could be adjusted higher or lower depending upon congressional actions.

Cook declined to estimate when the budget would be approved and the pay raise set.

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set for Crissy
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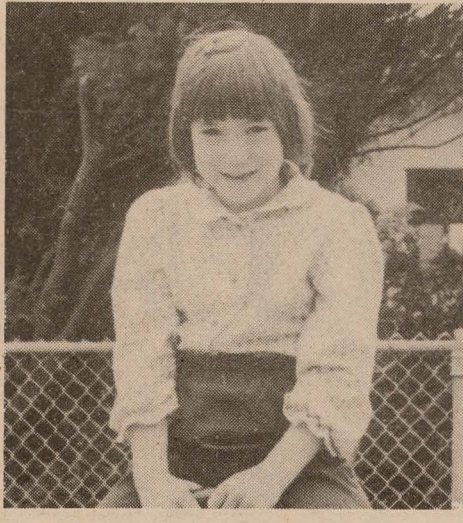
by Wendi Craig



Daniel Park—"Not having to go to school so I can play outside every day."



Brandy Leilani Melvin—"Going to Hawaii where I was born for my summer vacation."



Tracy Jo Hallam—"Moving to Georgia and seeing my Grandma and aunts and uncles."



Nora Lisa Malinis—"Waiting for my mother's baby to be born in August."

Commentary

They're just crying in their beer

by K. Douglas Cook

This past Memorial Day—you know, not the real one, but the one created so there would be a three day weekend—I was fascinated by the unique ways in which we Americans honored those who died in the name of freedom.

There was an incredible parade of cars up Interstate 101 at five in the evening, although I never did get a chance to see the grand marshal or hear the bands.

I was heartened to see a rather massive memorial service was held on Stinson Beach. It was obviously an all-day affair as many people brought their lunches.

Oh there were a few who just had to be different. These malcontents actually went to local and national cemeteries to place flags and flowers on the graves of men and women who are said to now march in a better army.

If you've been keeping up with the local tabloids and news on the idiot box, you may have heard about the plight of the Vietnam veteran. According to the news mongers, these people who served our country in Southeast Asia are quite upset with their treatment. Some are even attempting to starve themselves to death in Southern California.

It's a bit difficult to pin down exactly why these veterans are upset, but it seems I've heard such things as there were no welcome home parades, the benefits being paid aren't up to snuff and, in general, the treatment is lousy!



A few remembered.

Photo by Tony Rose

One televised newscast carried a statement by the leader of the protesting vets. In brief, he stated that this protest was to force President Reagan and the country to acknowledge the plight of the Vietnam veteran.

Now, maybe I'm missing something. If memory serves me correctly, we did come out on top in World War II. In Korea we went for a tie, although I've heard the game isn't over yet. In Vietnam, however, I've heard some pretty strong rumors to the effect that we got our tails kicked

all over the field.

I vaguely recall something significant about the end of April, 1975 and some rather hasty activities leading up to a rapid departure from a city which used to be called Saigon.

Battles, conflicts and wars aren't only fought by the soldiers in the field. They are also fought by the folks at home—the families, the communities and the elected leaders, among others. Again, dim memory seems to recall that Vietnam wasn't the most popular national pastime in the 60's and 70's.

I've looked through the history books, but can't seem to find a single instance where the losing side held any parades or parties. I have located several cases, however, where the losing side in a conflict accepted the defeat and instead of crying in their collective beers, worked to make a fresh start.

What's most interesting is that this group of vets in Southern California are many of the same who used to belong to an organization called Vietnam Veterans Against The War.

Hummm. First they wanted the "war" stopped and now they want us all to remember the war. It seems they feel they are different than the vets of World War II and Korea. For some reason, these folks think their war was tougher, meaner and more painful.

I wonder how many of you out there recall Vietnam. I suspect a lot of you are still wearing the uniform of a military member.

By the way, did you stop and think about those buddies of yours who didn't come home? Did you spend last Memorial Day feeling like you've been cheated because of Vietnam? Are you jealous because 52 Americans who were held hostage got a parade?

Or are you like me... a Vietnam veteran who's darn happy to be alive, living in a country which is better than most and thankful that, because fellow soldiers did make the supreme sacrifice, we're still free!

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Linda Grondahl will be performing at the Awareness Fair.

U. S. Army photo

'Navel' exercise set

by Jon Chelgren

Education and entertainment will be the order of the day as the Human Resources Development Division (HRDD) hosts a one-day "Awareness Fair" June 11 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. outside building 910 at Crissy Field.

The fair, open to all active and retired soldiers, civilians and their dependents, will feature a variety of booths, displays and demonstrations from both on and off post organizations, according to HRDD chief Maj. Robert McKenzie.

Ms. Melinda McQuiston, one of the organizers for the event, says that the fair first started as an open house but has since blossomed into an event which highlights many activities available in the Bay Area.

She notes that the post Morale Support Activities Division will offer

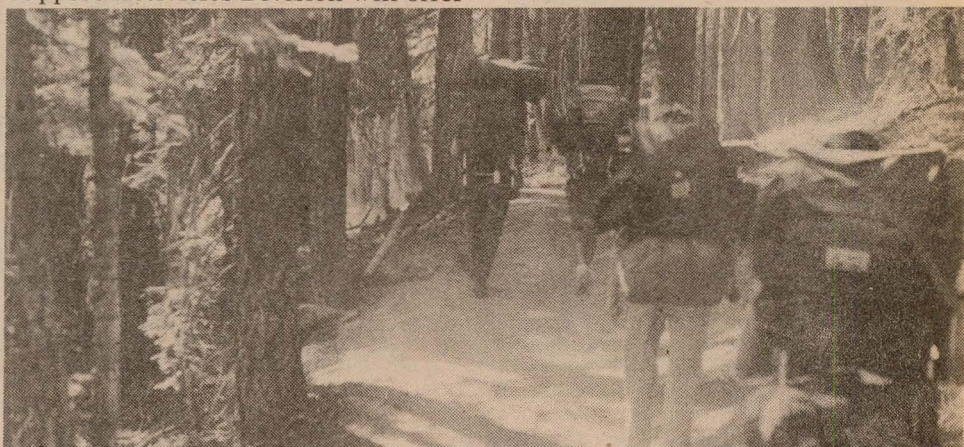
demonstrations and displays ranging from a belly dancing performance to a backpacking booth.

In addition, the Army Community Service will be on hand to inform fair goers what the ACS can offer them in the way of assistance.

Some off post organizations will also be participating in the fair. McQuiston says that one of the more unusual presentations will be done by a local holistic healing center which will offer an acupuncture demonstration.

Rounding out the fair activities will be musical performances by the Sixth Army Band and a Disco Jockey as well as a number of food and beverage booths.

Depending on response to this year's fair, HRDD hopes to make it an annual event.



Outdoor Recreation will have a backpacking booth.

U. S. Army photo

Army opens first NCO museum at Ft. Bliss

Fort Bliss, Texas—The Army's only museum dedicated to the history of the NCO Corps is scheduled to open at the U.S. Army Sergeants Major Academy on June 24.

Plans call for Sergeant Major of the Army William A. Connelly to be on hand for the official ceremonies. More than 400 other invited guests, dignitaries and Academy students are expected to attend the opening.

According to museum curator, Dr. Daniel Zimmerman, the museum will honor the NCO's accomplishments and service to the nation. "There are other museums that have exhibits covering the same periods of history," he said, "but this is the first museum dedicated solely to the history of the NCO corps."

The exhibits depict the history of the NCO corps by historical periods: The Revolutionary War period, 1775-1783; 1784 to 1860, including the War of 1812 and the Mexican War; The Civil War period, 1861-1865; The Indian War period, 1866-1891; 1891 to 1916, including the Spanish American War and the Pershing Expedition; World War I; World War II and Korea, 1940-1952; and from 1952 to the present, to include the Vietnam Era.

According to Dr. Zimmerman, some reproductions were used in creating the exhibits. "Original artifacts," he said, "make up about 95 percent of the exhibited items, some of which (like a wooden canteen) date back to the Revolutionary War."

From the Civil War period the museum has three original uniforms (two Union Army and one Confederate) as well as original documents, military equipment and photos. Additionally the museum has several Regular Army knap sacks from the Civil War Era, which Dr. Zimmerman states are "exceedingly rare."

Other original items on exhibit at the museum include: several weapons such as a NCO Light Artillery Sabre from the War of 1812 and a model 1842 percussion pistol from the Mexican War period; personal items from various periods of history like a Bible, musical instruments, letters, books and post cards; and tools and living essentials such as an oil lamp, wood burning stove and kitchen utensils from the Indian War period.

"Reproductions," Dr. Zimmerman tells us, "were used where original items were unobtainable because of their extreme rarity." Also, according to Dr. Zimmerman, those reproductions which were used were created only after extensive research.

"Before building any reproductions," he said, "we researched each item, referring to primary and secondary sources. A primary source," Dr. Zimmerman explains, "would be something like a letter or original document while a secondary source would be a history book or other record."

"In creating the 1890's barracks scene for instance," Dr. Zimmerman further explains, "we first had to research and answer several questions in order to get an idea of what barracks life was like in the 1890's."

"We wanted to know how the barracks were furnished and how they were heated. Where did the soldiers store their valuables and clothing and where were their weapons kept. What kind of bed did the 1890's soldier sleep on?"

In addition to telling the history of the NCO Corps through artifacts, the museum will initiate and maintain an on-going oral history program.

This will include a series of personal interviews with NCOs, both retired and still on active duty. The purpose of the program will be to add to the current knowledge of NCO history.

According to Dr. Zimmerman the program will probably begin with interviews of past Sergeants Major of the Army and will include questions like: "What was your perception of the role and status of the noncommissioned officer when you entered the Army. Had it changed after you earned your first chevrons?"

Transcripts from the oral history program will be maintained at the museum along with other historical documents and artifacts for research purposes and traveling exhibits. The opening ceremonies for the museum will start at 9 a.m. and will be open to the public. Once in operation, visiting hours at the museum will be from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.



Dr. Zimmerman shows SMA Connelly through the exhibit.

U. S. Army photo

Presidio blood flow slows to trickle



Arsenia Chavez monitors SSgt. Kenneth Gray.

photo by Tim Dewar

This quarter's drive to collect blood for the Presidio's account was less than an overwhelming success.

According to Billie Jo Fagan, a coordinator for the drive, "Thus far we've collected 248 units of blood as compared with 433 units in the first quarter of 1981."

The people who oversee the program for the post feel that the lower figure is due mainly because many of the regular donors, soldiers stationed in the Fort Scott area of the Presidio, were unable to contribute last Friday.

"The 504th Military Police Battalion was preparing for a major field exercise and this may well have affected our normal donation turnout," says Fagan.

In an attempt to bring the Presidio account back up, an alternative donation date has been set. People who were unable to make a blood donation last Friday may make a donation on Monday, June 29th at the Fort Scott Military Occupational Speciality (MOS) Testing Library, Bldg. 1227.

Fagan also added that anyone wishing to donate blood on behalf of the Presidio account is welcome to do so at Letterman Army Medical Center. If such a donation is made, donors should specify that it is for the post account.

300 involved in pair of field exercises

More than 300 post personnel are taking part in two field training exercises (FTX), one at Hunter-Liggett the other at Parks Reserve Forces Training Area (Camp Parks).

"Members of the 504th MP Bn. and 864th Eng. Bn. arrived at Hunter-Liggett for their quarterly FTX Monday and will return here Friday," according to SSgt. Billy Martin, 504th Battalion Training NCO.

All of the units from the 504th except the 163rd Mp Co. joined the engineers and will provide support for them," he explained.

"They will train and provide support in investigations of crimes, provide route and hasty reconnaissance and various other staff functions," Martin added.

"This isn't the first time the 864th and 504th have trained together," he stated, they were also together last time they went to the field.

The engineers will study water purification methods, utility pole rigging as well as rappelling into water. They will construct a rope bridge and practice vehicle recovery," he continued. "By vehicle recovery I mean freeing vehicles, from a jeep to

a tank, that have become stuck in the mud."

One of the final exercises of this FTX will be a demolitions demonstration by the 864th for the 504th.

"Both units," he explained "used tactical movement, (M151 jeeps), to get to the FTX site and will use the same method to return."

The second FTX had 34 members of the 51st Eng. Det. at Camp Parks for their three day training exercise where they practiced building road bridges, night land navigation and forward reconnaissance.

Cure for soldier's money ills offered here

by Tim Dewar & K. Douglas Cook

If there's one subject which is on the minds of most military personnel these days, it is the subject of money.

Inflation, the extraordinary cost of living in the Bay area and the general lack of spendable funds have created serious problems for many soldiers and their families.

"The problem just doesn't suddenly appear one day," says Diane Newcomb, Social Service Representative of the Presidio's Army Community Services (ACS). "Many soldiers get into deep debt little by little, not realizing the problem until

their paycheck runs out before the bills do!"

Many times, financial problems show up in the form of dishonored checks at post stores. This is a serious situation as repeated offenders can lose their right to use personal checks at the Post Exchange or Commissary for a set period of time or permanently, in more serious cases.

Other times, the first inkling of impending financial disaster is seen when debt collectors begin calling unit commanders or dunning letters appear in the mail. Once the financial tailspin begins, it's very difficult to pull out of it without professional help.

"Fortunately, the ACS has a program which can be of genuine assistance," says Newcomb. "We have a variety of tools we can use to resolve the problems and, hopefully, prevent them from happening again."

Among the programs offered are checkbook maintenance classes, individual budget counselling and shopping tips. A soldier and his or her family can learn how to wisely buy everything from food to a new home, without getting into a financial crunch.

"We offer classes to units on financial survival," says Newcomb who works in Bldg. 214 on the Presidio. "Plus we also offer individual help on

an appointment basis. I can, in many cases, work with the soldier or family and the creditors to resolve debts, set up a reasonable repayment schedule and avoid hurtful legal action."

All a person need do is call Diane Newcomb at 561-5155 or 561-5256 to schedule an appointment or class.

Another service offered at ACS is Food Stamp program prescreening and referral. Soldiers wishing to determine eligibility under this program should make an appointment, bring a copy of their latest Leave and Earnings Statement (LES) and spend about 5 minutes' time. ACS will review your situation and direct you to the proper agency.

Colleges recognize GI skills

Your military learning experience can earn credit at most colleges and universities according to a survey by the American Council on Education (ACE).

Of the responding colleges, 80 percent indicated they give credits for experience gained through military occupational skills.

The American Council on Education has also compiled a guide for use by universities called The Guide to the Evaluation of Educational Experiences in the Armed Services. It contains a list of military occupational skills along with the recommended number of credits for each MOS skill level.

Credit recommendations are based

on training and skill levels. For example, an infantryman in MOS 11B at skill level 20 may be granted a total of seven semester hours of college credit. An 11B at skill level 50 may earn up to 24 semester hours of credit.

In spite of these recommendations, each institution maintains its own academic requirements. Therefore, before the exact number of credits can be granted, a soldier has to apply to the college he wishes to attend.

Military police (95B) at level 30 is recommended for six credit hours, and administrative specialists (71L) at level 20 may receive 10 credit hours. While at level 30, a supply specialist (76Y) is recommended for 18 semester credit hours.

The school, based on its policy, may accept, reject or modify the American Council on Education recommendations.

Colleges and universities which offer classes on military installations are among those recognizing ACE's recommendations to the fullest extent.

However, a military education official said particular care should be taken to avoid confusion between military occupational skills and skill qualification tests (SQT). The American Council on Education has not evaluated SQTs, so no credit recommendation has been determined for SQTs. (US Army Forces Command)

Accidents spur safety crackdown

By Bill Craig

Last year, 10 motorcycle accidents and three involving bicycles, resulted in one death and nine serious injuries here at the Presidio. As of last month, six accidents have occurred so far this year, causing one death and three injuries on post.

In a recent report, US Army Forces Command (FORSCOM) officials cited a significant increase in the number of motorcycle accidents which occur on Army posts in the United States. The report emphasizes a growing concern that not enough is being done to educate military personnel on motorcycle safety.

David Hall, safety officer for the Presidio, reports that many of the accidents which occur on the Presidio involve people who are just passing through. "These people do not live or work here on the Presidio, so there is very little we can do to control them outside of law enforcement," says Hall.

However, military personnel are required by regulation to complete the Defensive Drivers Course (DDC) Motorcycle Supplement before operating a motorcycle on post, according to Hall.

He adds, "The problem is that it is very difficult to enforce this regulation. We don't find out that a person hasn't attended until he is caught violating traffic laws or is involved in an accident."



photo by Tim Dewar

Rising fuel prices have made this a common sight.

Statistics from the FORSCOM report indicate that operator error is the biggest cause of motorcycle accidents. To increase awareness of the potential hazards involved in operating a motorcycle, FORSCOM officials recommend that preventative measures be instituted by post safety officials.

Among these are: continuing to require the DDC course but adding a "hands on" portion for novice drivers, establishing a motorcycle operators awareness program, motorcycle

maintenance classes, and conducting regular motorcycle "Rodeos".

Last year, 27 deaths and 368 disabling injuries resulted from motorcycle accidents involving FORSCOM personnel. This amounted to one out of every ten injuries or fatalities which occurred in the command.

An analysis of the fatal accidents revealed:

- Accident rate increases during spring and summer seasons.
- 48% involved a single vehicle collision.

• 35% of motorcycle operators were under the influence of alcohol.

• 30% of motorcycle operators were not wearing a protective helmet.

• 44% of operators had not completed a Motorcycle Defensive Drivers' Course.

Most accidents were caused by operator error such as speeding, including failure to reduce speed prior to entering curves, following too closely, and assuming the right of way.

Conference examines military child care

In a one-day conference at the Letterman Army Institute of Research (LAIR) Auditorium Friday, child care officials from twelve military installations gathered to discuss the future needs of military child care.

In a surprise presentation during the conference, Neel Stallings, a Child Development Consultant of the Joint Services Child Care Project (JSCCP) recognized the achievements of the projects manager, Lt. Col. Larrie D. Wanberg, during his years as the project's only manager.

The JSCCP Conference featured two prominent

speakers in the child care field, Patty Siegel and Ethel Seiderman.

Siegel, the Executive Director of the California Child Care Resource and Referral Network, spoke on "Networking, where the military fits in." The morning session also included panel discussions on "New horizons for military child care," and "Impact on the future of military child care."

In the afternoon, Seiderman, who is director of the Fairfax-San Anselmo Children's Center, discussed "Foundations of Care: assessing infant and toddler needs."

The lunch hour gave everyone a chance to visit the Sam Van, a mobile resource unit unique to the bay area, that provides educational toys on loan and assistance to twelve military posts in the area.

The Sam Van, which has been based at the Presidio for almost one year, is funded through grants from the Department of Health and Human Services and the United Way. But according to Wanberg, "the funding expires soon, so we are asking the installations we service to donate money to the project so we can keep the program going."

Proceeds for handicapped

A Labor of Love Run-a-thon slated for Father's Day

by Bill Craig

Presidio running enthusiasts are invited to enter the "Labor of Love" run-a-thon, sponsored by KGO Radio and Chevron U.S.A. on Sunday, June 21.

Proceeds from the event go to the Recreation Center for the Handicapped in San Francisco.

There will be three races beginning with the Wheeler Dealer, a one-mile wheelchair race, at 8 a.m. The second event, the Short and Sweet race, begins at 8:30 and covers 8.1 kilometers (5+ miles).

For the more accomplished runners, a Killer Diller run will start at 10 a.m. It will be a tough, hilly 14 mile road and beach race.

The Wheeler Dealer and Short and Sweet races will be at the Polo Grounds, Golden Gate Park in San Francisco. The Killer Diller will

begin near the intersection of Fulton Street and the Great Highway on the beach.

T-shirts and ribbons will be awarded to all those who finish in all three races. Plaques will go to the first three finishers in the Wheeler Dealer and the Short and Sweet. The top three in each age group in the Killer Diller will also win plaques.

The first 810 finishers in the 5 and 14 mile races will receive a medal. The top prize, a free trip to Hawaii for the Honolulu Marathon, will go to the first male and female finisher in the "Killer Diller."

For more information, contact the Recreation Center for the Handicapped, 207 Skyline Blvd., San Francisco, Calif. 94132. Their telephone number is (415) 665-4100.

Mail deadline for entries is June 15 but walk-in entries will be accepted until midnight, June 20.



Run-a-thon application

SEND TO:
Recreation Center for the Handicapped
207 Skyline Blvd.
San Francisco, CA 94132

FIRST NAME LAST NAME AGE

STREET ADDRESS

CITY STATE ZIP

T Shirt Size: S ☐ M ☐ L ☐ XL ☐

In consideration of your accepting my entry into A Labor of Love Run, a strenuous race, I, the undersigned, intending to be legally bound for myself, heirs, executors, and administrators, waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against the Recreation Center for the Handicapped; KGO Radio, American Broadcasting Co., Inc.; Chevron USA; City of San Francisco; City of Daly City, Golden Gate National Recreation Assn.; California Department of Parks, Beaches and Recreation; the race director and any and all injuries suffered by me evolving from this strenuous event. I certify that I am physically fit and have sufficiently trained for this difficult event and have been examined by a licensed medical doctor within six months who will verify my condition.

X

Parent if under 18 years old

Date

Time to spare

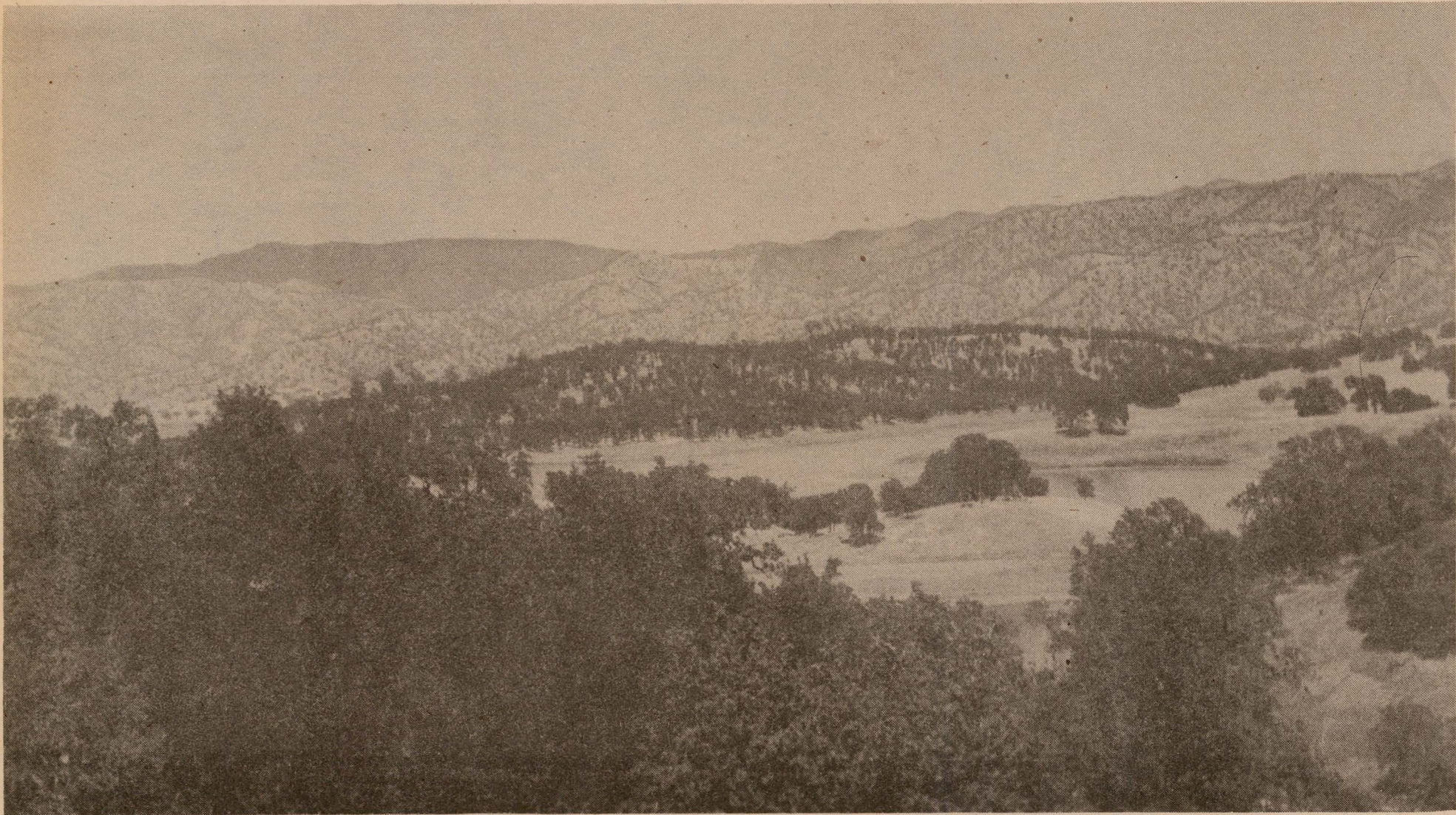


Photo by Tim Dewar

Lake Berryessa

Lake Berryessa just north of Napa, CA, offers fishing, camping and swimming for outdoor enthusiasts. This man made lake has ample camp sites and boat

ramps for plenty of summer fun. To get there, take Highway 121, north from Napa.

Tahoe condos available for summer use

Lake'Tahoe Accommodations— If you'd like to get away from it all, don't forget about the newly acquired **Town House** on the Tahoe Keys, and the **House on Silverwood Circle**, both are located in South Lake Tahoe. There is also the Condominium in North Lake Tahoe.

These units may be rented by the day or for a maximum of seven consecutive days. Personnel eligible to use the Town House, House and/or Condominium must make their reservation in person at Outdoor Recreation, Bldg. 92, between the hours of 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Fifty percent of payment must be paid at the time reservations are made, the remainder of the fee will be paid not later than ten working days prior to occupancy, or reservations will be considered cancelled. All three rental units are ideal for Summer vacations.

Camping—Plan now for your Summer weekend or vacation and leave the city life behind. RV's and Trailers are available for rent from Outdoor Recreation, as well as tents, lanterns, stoves, sleeping bags, ice chests, backpacks and much more for your outdoor camping needs.

Scuba Class—Next Scuba Class to begin June 30, screen test will be conducted at 6:30 p.m., Bldg. 1151, Post Swimming Pool. Cost is \$75.00 for the ten week course.

A White Water Adventure on the Lower Klamath River is the highlight of this season's Outdoor Recreation activities. Get away from the holiday noise and hurry of the big city, July 2, 3, 4 & 5.

For \$132 per person you are provided with transportation, food, camping equipment, and professional guides who will also provide kayaking instruction to the hearty souls who want to run the rapids alone in a

kayak rather than in the comparative safety of an 8 person raft. Full payment due upon sign-up.

For additional information call or come by Outdoor Recreation, 561-4324, Bldg. 92, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The Monkey Morning Club!—Animal Crackers, Meet The Keeper, Farm hands, A Brush With Nature, and Butterflies, Beetles & Bees are a few of the exciting summer school classes offered by the San Francisco Zoological Society.

Open to children 4 to 12 years old, morning classes are held at the San Francisco Zoo. Fees begin at \$15. To receive a brochure outlining class activities and schedules call the Zoo Society at 661-2023.

Monkey Morning Club offers six one-week sessions beginning July 20th. Open to children 6 to 9 years old, the club meets at the San Francisco Zoo from 9 a.m. to Noon. Each day club members will learn about a different group of animals. Zoo hikes, films, art projects and games will all have an animal theme.

At the end of the summer, club members are invited to an overnight camp-out at the Zoo complete with a cookout and flashlight safari. Fee: \$30 Zoo Society members, \$40 non-members. For more information contact the San Francisco Zoological Society, Sloat Blvd. at the Pacific Ocean, San Francisco, 94132 or call 661-2023.

California's Redwood Empire camping trip—On June 26, 27 & 28 the \$20 cost covers the campsite, transportation, camping equipment, breakfast and a big Bar-B-que dinner Saturday night.

Options available at additional cost to the individual include canoeing on the Russian River, horseback riding, hiking, diving for abalone,

and/or a visit to historic Fort Ross. Sign-up/payment deadline is June 15.

Salmon Fishing Trips—Scheduled for July 7 and 19, Aug. 9 and 21, and Sept. 11 and 13. Cost is \$32 per person, and includes transportation (if needed), rod & reel, bait, and coffee. Sign-up/payment by six weeks prior to the fishing trip you desire to go on.

Sponsors must sign for all equipment, and make all reservations in person. **Delinquent Equipment—**Individuals renting equipment from Outdoor Recreation are reminded that it is the users responsibility to return equipment on time. Double rental fees go into effect on all rental equipment the day following the due in date. Extensions will not be permitted unless the user calls Outdoor Recreation at 561-4324 to extend.

For detailed information about any of these activities, call 561-4324 or visit Outdoor Recreation at Bldg. 92 between the hours of 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The Presidio Players' production of "GYPSY" opens at the Presidio Playhouse on Friday, June 12, at 8 p.m., for a fifteen performance run.

This popular Broadway musical is suggested by the memoirs of Gypsy Rose Lee, the late world famous striptease artist, with music by Jule Styne, lyrics by Stephen Sondheim, and book by Arthur Laurents.

In last year's Festival, Homrighausen won the "Best Actress In A Musical" award in the title role in "MAME" at the Presidio. At that time, McConnell was stationed at Ft. Hood, where she won an "Award of Excellence" for her role in "MAN OF LA MANCHA."

"GYPSY" is the Presidio's entry in the 1981 FORSCOM Festival of the Performing Arts. Featured in the cast of 50 are Ann Homrighausen as Moma Rose and Capt. Mary Jo McConnell as Louise (Gypsy Rose Lee).

Beginning June 8, tickets for "GYPSY" will be available at the Playhouse Box Office from 1-5 p.m., except Sundays, and 30 minutes before performances. Tickets are \$3 for the general public and \$2 for military personnel, dependents, retired military, and reservists, upon presentation of ID card. For exact performance dates and ticket information, all 561-3992 during box office hours.

At the movies

Presidio Theater

June 4	Inside Moves (PG)	7 p.m.
June 5	Inside Moves (PG)	7 p.m.
June 6	Race For Your Life Charlie Brown (G)	2 p.m.
June 6	Final Countdown (PG)	7 p.m.
June 7	Scanners (R)	7 p.m.
June 8	Scanners (R)	7 p.m.
June 9	The Competition (PG)	7 p.m.
June 10	The Competition (PG)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

June 4	Where the Buffalo Roam (R)	7 p.m.
June 5	All That Jazz (R)	7 p.m.
June 8	Inside Moves (PG)	7 p.m.
June 9	Final Countdown (PG)	7 p.m.
June 10	Scanners (R)	7 p.m.

Sports

Aquarius kids swim past Rohnert Park

by Charles Taylor

The Presidio DYA Aquarius Swim Club has shown in the past few weeks, that you don't have to be a fish to breast stroke, back float or even butterfly your way to victory in swim competition.

The Swim Club, composed of five age groups ranging from six to eighteen, has a very tight and demanding schedule this year. That's right, this year.

The team competes all year-round against various teams along the coast.

When Aquarius went against Rohnert Park, Aquarius won by a score of 232-182.

In that meet, for the eight and under group, Mike Szurek placed first in the 100 yard Individual Medley, 25 yard breast stroke as well as the 50 yard free style.

Danny Belkin, also of the eight and under group, took second place in the 50 yard free style and 25 yard back stroke.

Jenny Askew showed her strength by taking first in the 25 yard butterfly and 25 yard breast stroke.

Tara Oxley took second in the 25 yard breast stroke and third in the 50 yard free style.

Finally for the eight and unders, Ann McConnel placed second in the 100 yard individual medley.

Lisa Bell led the 10 and unders by placing first in three races, the 100 yard individual medley, the 50 yard butterfly and the 50 breast stroke.

Lisa Langeliers fought her way to a first place victory in the 50 yard breast stroke, second in the 50 yard butterfly and third in the individual medley.

The ten and under group also took first place in the 20 yard free style and 200 yard individual medley relays.

For the 11-12 year-olds, Scott Szurek placed second in the 50 and 100 yard butterfly. He placed third in the 100 yard individual medley.

In the other age groups there was Blanca Castillo who led the 13-14 year-olds for three first place wins.

Lisa Guinn, Donna Hibbs, Frank Peronetto and Meg Halsey took the 15-18-year-olds to the score board with a few first and second place wins.

The Aquarius Swim Club has had a pretty positive start and with their enthusiasm they should go a long way.



photo by Charles Taylor

Members of the Aquarius Swim team practice for their next match.

Sport Shorts

6th Army No. 1 is the Intramural Golf League Champion, nosing out ARR IX for the top spot. Team results are as follows:

TEAM	FOR	AGAINST
6th ARMY No. 1	43½	19½ First
ARR IX	40	23 Second
LAIR No. 1	37	26 Third
6th Army 2	35½	27½ Fourth
USAG	32½	30½ Fifth
OAKLAND		
ARMY BASE	24½	38½ Sixth
LAIR No. 2	22	41 Seventh
504th MP Bn	18½	44½ Eighth

Winning team

Members of the 6th Army No. 1 Team winning the Intramural Golf League are as follows: Robert Young, Richard Blake, Michael Rees, Phil Meengs, Greg Dillon, and Harold McCullers.

The next scheduled golf event will be June 18 and 25 at 8 a.m. at the Presidio Army Golf Course. It will be the Post Golf Championships.

Runners wanted

A team to represent the Presidio in the Corporate Cup Relays (June 27-28, 1981) is being formed. The distance to be run will range from 1/4 mile to 10 kilometers for the men and from 1/4 mile to 5 kilometers for the women. There is also masters competition (40 years and over).

All interested people should contact the following personnel by Friday:

Women—Linda Wettstein at ext. 5875

Men—Jim Moore at ext. 5545

Department of the Army civilians and active duty military are eligible for this competition.

Exercise class

A beginners and an intermediate exercise class will be offered at the post gym 2, Bldg. 1152, on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning June 16 and continuing for four weeks. Cost will be \$20 for the eight lessons. Times for beginner will be 4:30-5:30 p.m. and the intermediate class will be 5:30-6:30. For additional information, contact Mr. Robert Darling or Ms. Ginger Daniels, ext. 4120.

Pool hours

Effective June 1, operational hours for the post swimming pool, Bldg. 1151, are as follows:

MONDAY-FRIDAY, 9 a.m.-8 p.m.

SATURDAY, SUNDAY, HOLIDAYS 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

Chess tournament

The Presidio Recreation Center is sponsoring a two day Chess Tournament on June 6 and 7. The tournament will be conducted by Chessmaster Mike Goodall, Chairman of the Northern California Chess Association.

The tournament is in preparation for the 1981 All-Army and Interservice chess championships. Winners at local levels will go on to compete for nominations to the All-Army Chess Tournament at Fort Meade, Maryland, Sept. 7-10.

Softball standings

FORT SCOTT LEAGUE			PRESIDIO LEAGUE		
TEAM	WON	LOST	TEAM	WON	LOST
DOCTORS	5	0	LAIR No. 1	5	0
OAKLAND	4	1	B CO, LAMC	5	1
864th ENGRS	4	2	FOUR SEASONS	5	1
6th ARMY	3	1	USAG	4	2
170th MP CO	3	1	INSCOM	3	2
PHS	3	2	504th MP BN	3	3
COAST GUARD	2	3	163rd MP CO	1	5
51st ENGRS	1	4	ATTORNEYS	1	5
MSC, LAMC	0	5	USACC	1	5
MSAD	0	6	LAIR No. 2	1	5
51st ENGRS, 4—MSAD, 1			B CO, LAMC, 17—LAIR No. 2, 0		
DOCTORS, 4—6th ARMY, 3			USAG, 7—163rd MP CO, 0		
OAKLAND, 10—864th ENGRS, 3			ATTORNEYS, 7—USACC, 0		
170th MP CO, 12—COAST GUARD, 3			FOUR SEASONS, 4—504th MP BN, 0		
PHS, 8—MSC, LAMC, 6			USACC, 10—LAIR No. 2, 4		
OAKLAND, 7—COAST GUARD, 6			163rd MP CO, 12—504th MP BN, 10		
864th ENGRS, 12—MSC, LAMC, 2			LAIR No. 1, 14—USAG, 0		
DOCTORS, 12—MSAD, 1			FOUR SEASONS, 5—ATTORNEYS, 4		



photo by Charles Taylor

Sixth Army 1 edged out Readiness Region Nine for the post golf title.

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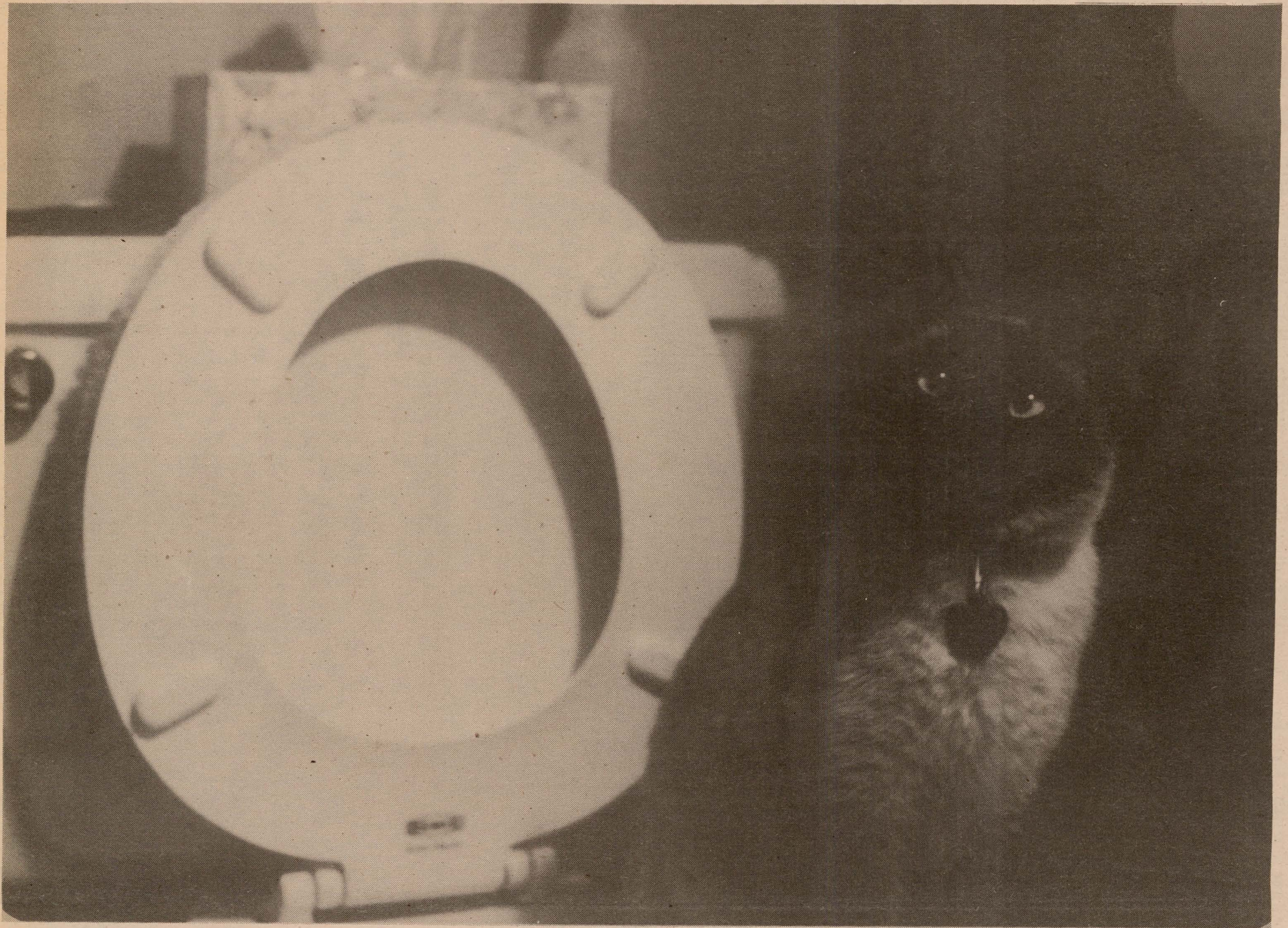


Photo of the week

"Give me back my litter box now!" is what this cat seems to be saying. Dr. Randall L. Rudeen of LAMC caught this moment and snared Photo of the Week

Orders changed

The U. S. Army Forces Command has made a decision to restrict the assignment of married soldiers, E-5s and below, to the National Training Center at Fort Irwin.

This policy has been established because of a shortage of on-post housing at Fort Irwin and scarcity and expense of suitable housing within a reasonable commuting distance of the post.

This decision will result in the revocation of orders for some married soldiers now scheduled for assignment at the NTC.

Married soldiers E-1 through 5 with a reporting date after May 31 are most likely to have their orders revoked.

Some with earlier reporting dates may also have their orders canceled on a case-by-case basis. This is a one-time, short term action.

Housing problems at Fort Irwin are expected to be corrected beginning with the construction of additional housing with funding from Fiscal Year 82 budget.

Soccer camp

The California Youth Soccer Association will sponsor a Youth Soccer Camp at Paul Goode field on July 6-10. The camp will be for boys and girls, all ages, and will include instruction by licensed United States Soccer Federation coaches.

Please note that only the first 20 enlisted family children who sign-up will be eligible for the reduced registration fee. Fees may be paid at

the Morale Support Activities office, Bldg. 122.

The cost of the program is \$35 per child, and includes a camp t-shirt, and refreshments. The cost to enlisted families will be \$15.00 per child.

USO supper

All Military and dependents are invited to a 4 p.m. Sunday Supper, June 14, at the San Francisco USO Center, 530 Taylor Street. All the home cooked food is being prepared by The Women's Overseas Services League as a demonstration of their support and admiration for the military in the Bay Area.

Assertive training

Social Work will be sponsoring an "Assertive Training" workshop in the LAMC Conference (Rm. 358), on June 19 from 8-11:30 a.m.

Various aspects of assertiveness will be explored to include defining of assertiveness, self awareness issues, and practical exercises. All individuals who feel a need to deal with life more assertively are invited to attend. For reservations or further information, please contact Floyd Gray at ext. 2174.

Social Work will be sponsoring an "Alternatives to Loneliness" group at the Social Work Conference Room, Bldg. 1050 on Wednesday evenings from 7-9 p.m. The first meeting is slated for June 24. Individuals who are divorced or separated from a "significant other" are invited to attend. For reservations or further information, please contact Floyd Gray at ext. 2174.

honors for his efforts. If you have a photo you would like to enter, drop it by our newsroom in building 37, room 214.

Youth swimming

Summer is coming and Red Cross and Dependent Youth Activities are planning for youth swimming classes. We need more Swimmer Aides and Instructor Aides. Anyone interested in being an Aide please call Nancy Hunter at 386-8764 or the Red Cross at 561-2187.

SIDS meeting

Current research on the Sudden Infant Death Syndrome will be the subject of the annual meeting of the Northern California Chapter of the National Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Foundation, to be held at Letterman Army Medical Center in Torney Hall at 8 p.m. on Monday.

Richard L. Oken, M.D. will be the principal speaker. Everyone interested in this challenging topic is welcome to attend. The public is invited. For additional information, call Leonie S. Watson, M.D. at 561-2556.

Airline tickets

Unused airline tickets are being surrendered by many travelers to carrier ticket agents in return for a refund application form. This is an undesirable practice as it creates additional paperwork and can delay refunds to the government for the value of such tickets.

Travelers are advised to turn in these tickets only to the Personnel Movements Section, Transportation Division, Building 39—to insure appropriate refund action is initiated and files are cleared.

Boss night

The Presidio NCO and Enlisted Club is offering a "Boss Night" tomorrow from 4:30 to 8:30 p.m. featuring male and female dancers and Doc Webb's Disco.

From 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. the Bobby "6" Disco Beat will rock the club.

Briefing set

Representatives from the Civilian Personnel Office, Directorate of Facility Engineers and Corps of Engineers, Korea will present a briefing on Korean employment opportunities to interested Presidio civilians on June 17 beginning at 1 p.m. in the post theater.

Professionals, workers GS-9 and above and secretaries eligible for GS-6 and GS-7 are welcome to attend the slide presentation.

For more information call 561-5757.

Take stock

The 1981 United States Savings Bond Campaign will be held during the month of June. The national theme is "Take Stock in America, Buy US Savings Bonds."

Over 9½ million Americans buy United States Savings Bonds through their Payroll Savings Plan. Participate in the Savings Bond Campaign and invest part of your paycheck in your future. Directorates may pick up promotional material from the Finance and Accounting Division, Bldg. 102, Room 209. Point of contact is Capt. Fielder ext. 2029/2975.

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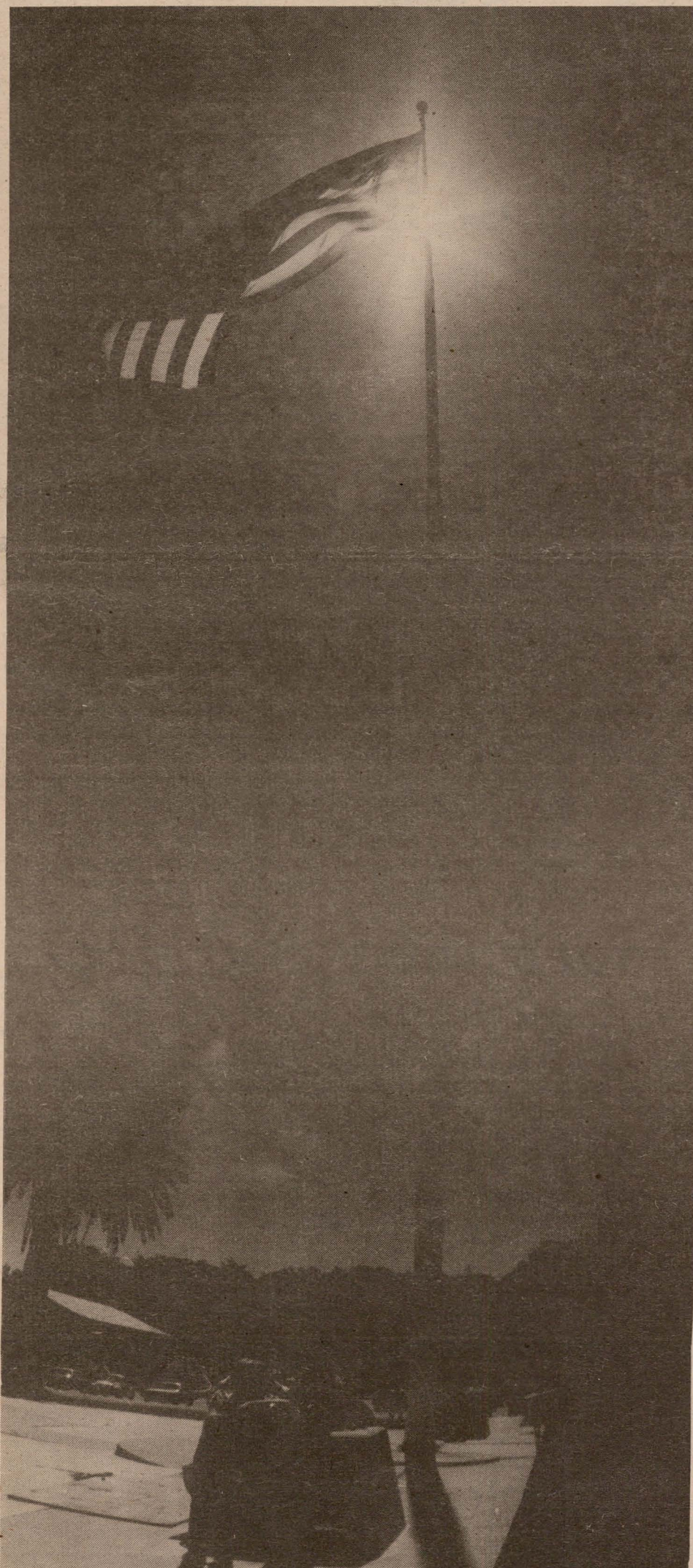
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Still flying

photo by H. Kinoshita

Post officials are urging residents to observe Flag Day this Sunday by flying flags outside their homes. Flag Day will be observed together with the Army's 206th birthday. For related items see page 2.

Impact aid battle

Weinberger vows no tuition charges for dependents

Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger voiced his concern over the plans by some states to impose tuition fees on military dependents if the federal government drops its impact aid funds to local school districts.

In a vigorous memorandum to the various service secretaries, Weinberger said, "I am determined that no soldier, sailor, airman or Marine will be forced to pay tuition for the public school education of his or her dependents."

Weinberger and others within the defense establishment are concerned over the Virginia General Assembly which passed a law in February giving local school districts the option of charging full tuition costs for students whose parents live on military installations if federal impact aid is drastically cut or eliminated.

Impact aid are federal funds provided to public school districts to help defray the costs to the states for educating federal dependents.

A proposal now before Congress would end impact aid payment to school districts where less than 20 percent of the total district enrollment is made up of children of military members who live on-post.

Federal funds to school districts where the military sponsor of the student lives off-post would also be eliminated.

As a result of the proposed cuts in impact aid, North Carolina and New York are also preparing to enact legislation permitting school districts to charge tuition fees for military dependents.

Weinberger said, "I want to make clear my view that such action by states, counties or school districts is completely unwarranted and that the Department of Defense will take every possible measure to prevent it."

Weinberger's memorandum was designed to reassure concerned servicemembers that he will take whatever legal steps are necessary to prevent the imposing of tuition charges. "We are confident of the strength of our position," he pledged.

California school districts have indicated no interest in the matter yet nor has legislation similar to Virginia's new law been discussed in Sacramento. However, should parents living on-post be contacted by their children's school district over the matter of tuition costs, they are asked to contact the Presidio Staff Judge Advocate immediately by telephoning ext. 5591.

Parks concerns voiced

While work continues to turn the former Camp Parks into an area reserve training center, Army officials, government representatives and members of the public met Friday to discuss the future of an 445 acre maneuver area.

The meeting was a "scoping session," to decide what topics should be addressed in an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The EIS was directed by the Army as part of the process to recapture the 445 acre parcel of land which had been turned over to The East Bay Regional Parks District.

According to Lt. Col. Michael Mark, Parks Reserve Forces Training Area commander, the land is needed to allow more than 11,000 area reservists to train. Rifle range improvements at Parks will force the

closure of the north end of the post when the range is in use, Mark notes. To allow other reservists to continue their training, the additional land is needed, he says.

During the scoping session, officials from the Alameda County Planning Board expressed their concerns that the use of parks as a training area would add to local air pollution problems by increasing car and truck traffic. They asked that water pollution by dust settling in a local creek also be addressed in the EIS.

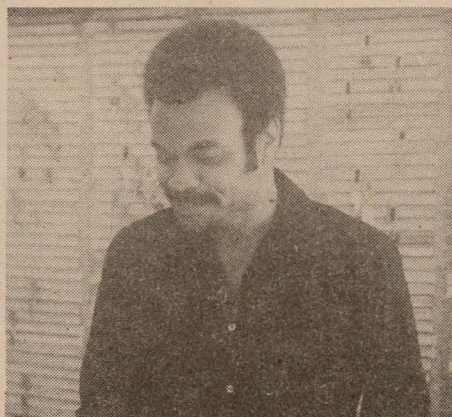
The EIS is not expected to be ready before November, but Mark says that 29 projects to upgrade Camp Parks will continue in the meantime. Since the projects are on the main post, Mark sees no delays caused by the EIS in readying the base for reservists.

Opinion

Ramblin' Sam *What does the flag mean to you?*



PFC Michelle Sullivan, USAG—"It's the symbol of the best country, the United States."



Phil Patterson, Transportation Motor Pool—"It means that we as black Americans have a long way to go."



PV2 Donna Carten, Finance—"It symbolizes our right to say what we want and do what we want."



Maj. Rob McAuley, Nuclear Medicine—"It stands for the country I live in, and is a symbol of freedom."

Commentary

Did you hear the one about the farmer?

by K. Douglas Cook

I recall the story about the old Tarheel farmer who had just about the most stubborn mule ever put on this earth.

Seems one day this mule decided he wasn't going to work anymore and just stood in the barn acting like he was deaf. The farmer tried everything to get this mule to move. Finally, seeing that some extreme measures were needed, the farmer picked up a piece of wood beam and just purely whopped that old mule plumb across the head.

The mule staggered a bit and turned to look at the farmer. The farmer just looked at the mule and said, "Now that I've got your undivided attention..."

It seems that I got the undivided attention of a lot of you last week with my commentary "They're just crying in their beer." Several telephone calls and letters were received and some of you even made personal visits to my office to tell me how you felt about the commentary.

Maybe also you should have realized that I, like hundreds of thousands of other Vietnam veterans, did not cry in my beer over this treatment. We just went on living and understood the fact that we were survivors of an unpopular conflict.

When I wrote that we had "our tails kicked all over the field," I wasn't referring to a physical, open battlefield but rather a figurative arena. We did the best job we could under the rules we were forced to follow. It's just that these rules were not developed by military men but by interest groups and certain politicians, fueled by the media.

Some of you were offended by my reference to how we spent Memorial Day. I'm not saying to be a good American, it's necessary for all of you to go to the cemeteries and honor those who died in freedom's name. If you did your remembering another way and place, that's what is important. My message is: honor the dead in some manner lest we cease remembering completely.

Now we come to the poke I took at

those Vietnam vets who are protesting outside the hospital. A few of you pointed out that they are doing this to improve their care. Maybe in the case of a few this is true. However, I personally know a few of those gentlemen and have for several years. They were members of the Vietnam Veterans Against The War and may still be for all I know.

One in particular, and names aren't important, has made quite a nice living off of being a jobless protestor. Agreed, he paid a frightful price for his service in Vietnam and, like all other bruised and battered vets, he deserves help. It's just that he shouldn't use innocent and well-intentioned people for personal gain.

Needless to say, I appreciate the positive comments but it is the negative ones which concern me. Some readers apparently didn't understand the message I was intending to send. For this reason, I feel another attempt is needed.

If you made it to the last paragraph of the commentary you should have noted that I too am a

Vietnam veteran. The tone of my writing should also have keyed you to the emotions I felt along with fellow veterans when the majority of the American public did not seem to appreciate our devotion to duty and the many sacrifices that that commitment entailed.

Even the executive director of the newly-formed United Vietnam Veterans Organization recognized what harm this type of demonstration has on the image of all who fought in Vietnam. He called their hunger strike a "social disgrace, a social atrocity."

A newspaper is used to inform and stimulate interest and opinion. Seems like I managed to do a lot of the last with my commentary. Thanks to all of you for taking the time to share how you feel with us on the staff.

I have just one small request—Would those of you still packing around those wood beams kindly put them away for awhile? I promise... you've definitely got my undivided attention!

We've been around for more than 200 years

It is perhaps fitting that the Army's 206th birthday and Flag Day will be observed together on Sunday.

For more than two centuries the Army has helped to ensure that "Old Glory" has flown proudly.

In connection with Sunday's observance, Secretary of the Army John O. Marsh Jr. and Gen. Edward C. Meyer, Army Chief of Staff, have released the following joint statement which reflects on the Army's beginnings with a look toward the future. Their statement reads:

"As we celebrate the Army's 206th anniversary on Sunday, it is a pleasure to extend greetings to

all of its members.

"The mission of providing for the security of our country is basically the same for today's Army as it was for the 10 companies of infantry established by the second continental congress more than two centuries ago. Within six years, a young but seasoned continental Army, with French assistance, would achieve an important victory a Yorktown. That victory would make the declaration of independence a meaningful political manifesto, and bridge the way to development of our constitution. This year, as we mark that event with the bicentennial celebration of Yorktown, we should be mindful of our heritage.

"Throughout the years, each decade brought its

own unique challenges. As our country grew and prospered, the Army played a vital role in its development, and our nation's position of strength and influence stems, to a large extent, from the achievements of its loyal and vigorous army.

"The challenges of this decade of the eighties may be more complex than any that we have ever faced in the past. Today's Army is bred in that same spirit that kindled the hearts and minds of the soldiers of the continental Army more than 200 years ago. Therefore, with steadfast resolve, we can be confident that our Army's traditionally faithful service will continue to be a major factor in ensuring that our national values are preserved through the critical years ahead."

A reason to celebrate Sunday

Not too long ago the Presidio shared the collective relief of the nation as 52 American hostages returned from Iran.

As hundreds of miles of yellow ribbon tied the country together, American flags seemed to fly everywhere. As tragic as the events in Teheran were, they did serve to spark a patriotism long dormant.

Sunday we have another opportunity to join the nation in a collective display of patriotism as the country observes Flag Day.

Perhaps, like many other holidays, Flag Day has lost much of its meaning. Maybe the turbulence of the 60's and early 70's, the Vietnam War and government scandals have made us the nation of cynics that the news media contends we are.

Yet maybe that rekindled spirit of patriotism which burst fourth on the hostages return is still burning.

We hope this is true and the Star Presidian urges you to join us in a rebirth of patriotism. This Sunday, show the flag and show it proudly.

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'We're just trying to save lives'

by Tim Dewar

Summer weather, increased traffic and a rash of recent accidents have spurred post MPs into issuing more than 110 traffic citations in the past two weeks.

According to MP reports, 51 motorists were cited last week, while 62 were cited the week before. MP officials note that most of the citations went to civilians who were simply crossing through the post.

"It's not that we are trying to harass anyone, we are trying to save lives," explained Maj. Robert Meybin, deputy provost marshal.

In the past month, the Presidio has been the scene of one near fatal car crash, which left the driver of a sports car in serious condition, only two weeks after a fatal bicycle and automobile crash in which the 21-year-old bicyclist lost his life.

"People think that 25-miles-per-hour is too slow. It's not. The Presidio is a beautiful, but deadly post, with all of the curves, hills and fog," Meybin stressed.

With the increase in tourists, fog and accidents during this time of the year, MP officials have started a full scale safety campaign. In February, MPs distributed leaflets to traffic using Presidio's busiest streets warning them to slow down.

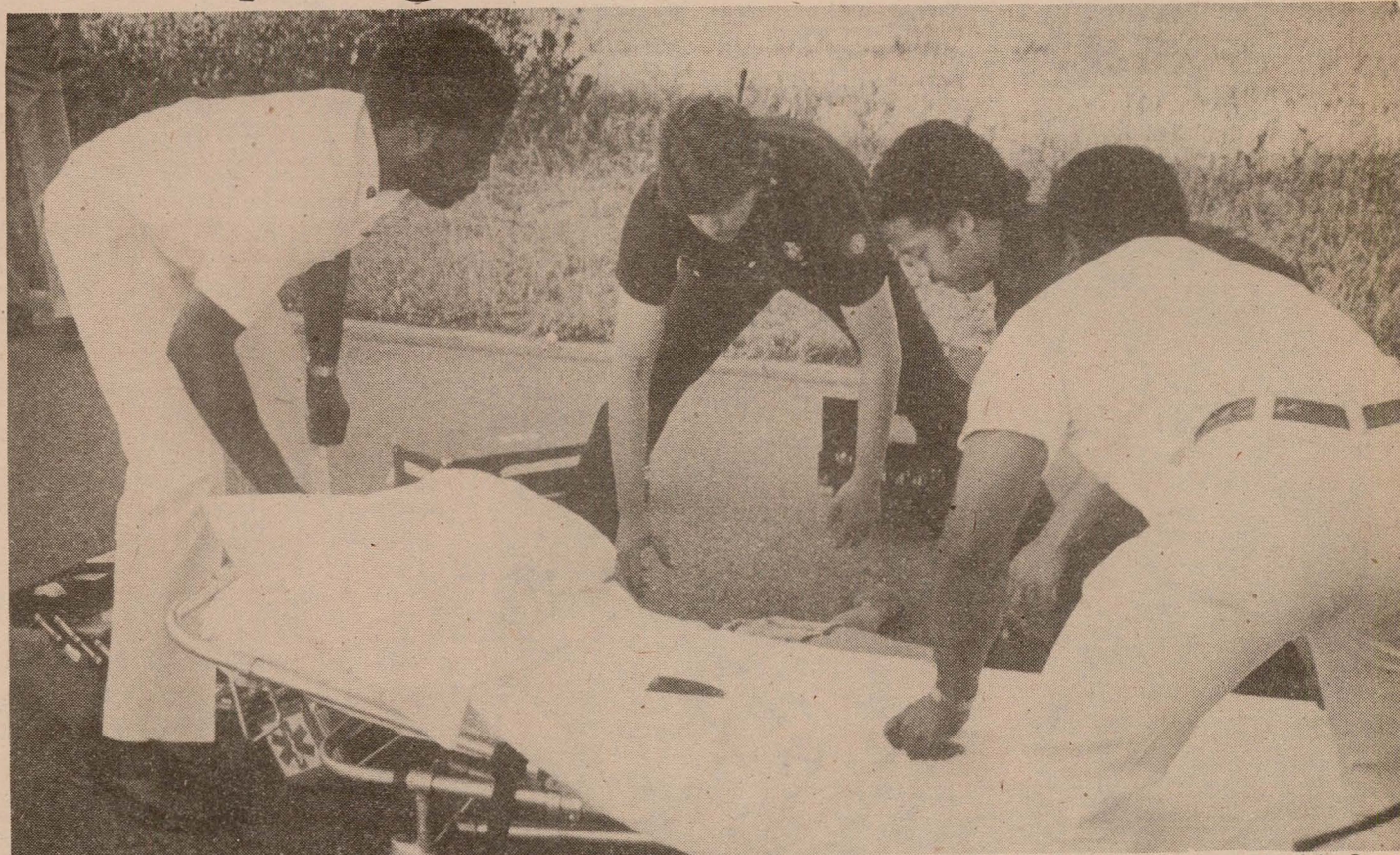


photo by John Green

Recent accidents have caused post MPs to increase issuing of citations.

A crackdown on bicyclists is the next step as the MPs plan in their safety war.

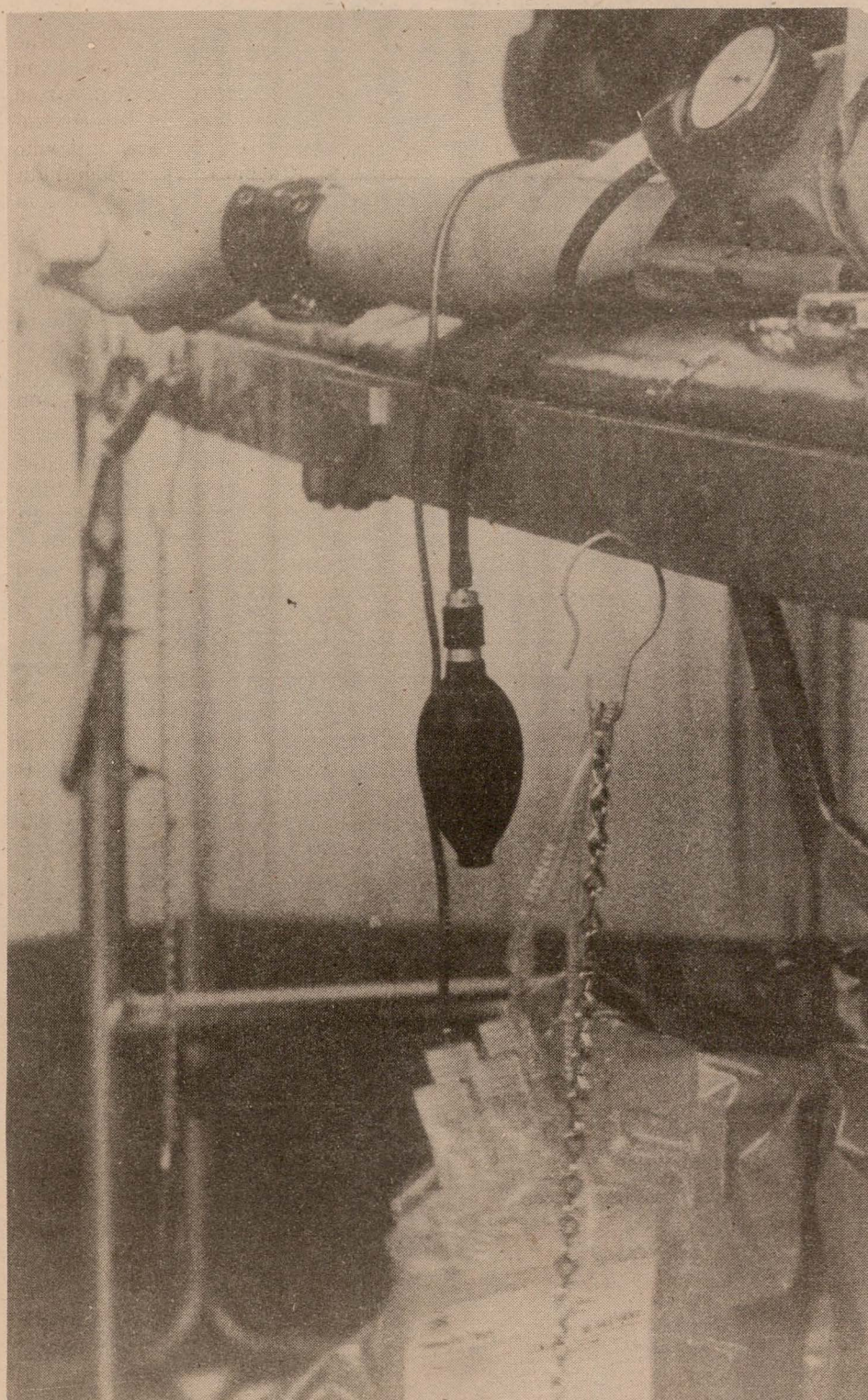
"Effective immediately, we will be strictly enforcing the California Vehicle Code for bicyclists," Meybin announced. "If they run a stop sign or go the wrong way up a one way

street, they will receive a citation," he said.

"Speeding is not only a problem for cars, bicyclists must also obey the speed limit on post," Meybin explained. "Going down some of these hills a bike can get up a lot of speed,

and that's when accidents happen," he said.

"All of the traffic rules that apply to motor vehicles also apply to bicycles as well as the regulations that apply only to bicycles," Meybin said.



U. S. Army photo

New date set

The make-up date for the second quarter Presidio blood drive has been changed to next Thursday at the MOS Test Center, bldg. 1227. Blood drive coordinators had planned the alter-

nate day for June 29 but had to switch the date because of a scheduling conflict. This quarter's donations fell far short of previous quarter's while blood demands remain high.

VA warning

Old scam aimed at WWII veterans

"Wampum from Washington"—that's the latest version of the long-running insurance hoax that has plagued the Veterans Administration and thousands of World War II veterans since 1948.

The "WAMPUM" handbill, advising World War II veterans they can collect a non-existent insurance dividend on their cancelled policies, has recently surfaced in Minnesota, Ohio, Indiana, Louisiana and Montana—this time with an illegal "confidence game" twist.

The fraudulent flyers promise to "cut red tape" by supplying an address for a quick dividend payment in return for \$10.00 that is to be sent to a post office box. Postal authorities have taken a dim view of this scheme and have already interviewed one man who was distributing the handbills at a Wisconsin American Legion meeting.

Postal inspectors report that the Wisconsin operator claimed he "bought" the address from a person in Minnesota, and went on to produce a check which he said he had received in response to his insurance dividend claim. The check was not issued by VA and the address he was selling is one that has been used for years in this perennial hoax.

The hoax, which has been cropping

up in a variety of forms since 1948, also claims that dividends are available for the asking on cancelled insurance. Official looking forms—complete with the address of a VA insurance center—often show up mysteriously at meetings of unions, veterans service organizations and even in public buildings. Many unsuspecting newspapers have passed on what they considered the "good news."

The bogus forms have been sent to VA by the thousands each month for several years.

Acting VA Administrator Rufus Wilson speculated that "someone has obviously decided that if there are that many gullible people, there must be a way to make a quick buck out of it."

"The Veterans Administration has investigated the hoax from every conceivable angle," according to Wilson, "without ever being able to establish any logical motive for spreading this false information. But with this new and illegal approach of selling the address, we advise that a report be made immediately to local police officials when anyone is observed producing or distributing the so-called application forms or the 'WAMPUM FROM WASHINGTON' handbill."

Work bus tickets change

Starting June 29, tickets for passengers authorized to ride the Hamilton Air Force Base-Presidio work bus will be sold every Monday from 6 a.m. to 6:15 a.m. and from 5 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. at the Hamilton bus stop.

A book of ten tickets costs \$6, with

a maximum of four books per purchase. All ticket sales require the exact amount of cash or checks made payable to "The Treasurer of the United States." No change will be made at the time of purchase, and ticket sales will be discontinued at the Transportation Division Bldg. 39.

Just tying up a few loose ends



Maj. Gen. Sniffin visits with a reserve unit.

U. S. Army photo

Like so many others, Maj. Gen. Charles R. Sniffin is using his last days on active duty to tie up a few loose ends before leaving the Army after 38 years' service.

One of those loose ends will be tied Sunday when he presents the Silver Star to one of his former soldiers—an award that has taken more than 27 years to reach the presentation stage.

It all began when then Lt. Sniffin recommended then-Pvt. John R. Flores for the medal for Flores' gallantry in action in March 1944 in Italy.

According to the citation accompanying the award, Flores was a member of a daylight reconnaissance patrol near Castelforte, Italy, when his patrol approached a farmhouse.

Voluntarily entering the farmhouse alone, Flores encountered a platoon of fully-armed German troops. Although outnumbered and armed with only his own rifle, Flores overpowered the Germans, using his native Spanish language to confuse the enemy.

The award cites Flores' "disregard for personal safety and daring initiative" as the key to his capture of 12 front-line German soldiers, their officer in charge as well as the capture of significant intelligence information.

When he was originally recommended for the award, Flores, a native of Torreon, Mexico, was quoted as saying, "I would prefer becoming a citizen of the United States a lot more than the Silver Star."

Ironically, his request for citizenship was honored in 1945 while he was in an Army hospital in Modesto, while his recommendation for a Silver Star became mired in administrative red tape.

Flores will receive his award from Sniffin as part of Sunday ceremonies in Los Angeles commemorating the 206th Birthday of the Army.

Sniffin going

Maj. Gen. Charles R. Sniffin, deputy commanding general of Sixth Army and commander of Readiness Region IX, will retire on June 30 after 38 years of active military service.

Sniffin was commissioned as an infantry second lieutenant in May 1943 following graduation from the Infantry Officer Candidate School at Fort Benning, Ga. During his initial overseas tour he saw action while serving in the Italian Campaign during WW II.

In the United States, he was twice an instructor of tactics at the Army Infantry School at Fort Benning, and completed numerous assignments in Washington, D.C. including key positions on the Army General Staff and with the Joint Chiefs of Staff. In 1977, Sniffin was assigned as the JCS representative on the Mutual Balanced Force Reduction Talks. He was assigned to Sixth Army Headquarters in 1979.

Sniffin intends to move to Fredericksburg, Va., following his retirement.

Education helps soldiers climb to promotion

by Bill Craig

(This is the second in a three part series on the programs available at the Ft. Scott and LAMC Education Centers.)

With all the emphasis the Army is placing on civilian education these days, it is beginning to look like a high school diploma will no longer be enough to guarantee a soldier's climb up the promotion ladder.

Gen. John W. Vessey, Army vice chief of staff, recently gave Army educators a glimpse of the future soldiers, "We want to get a better Army to do the jobs... in a world that is much different than it was 10, 20, or 40-years ago."

But what about the soldier who has not finished high school? Will he be left behind in the wake of new high-technology advances? Claire Manhart of the Presidio Education Center doesn't think so.

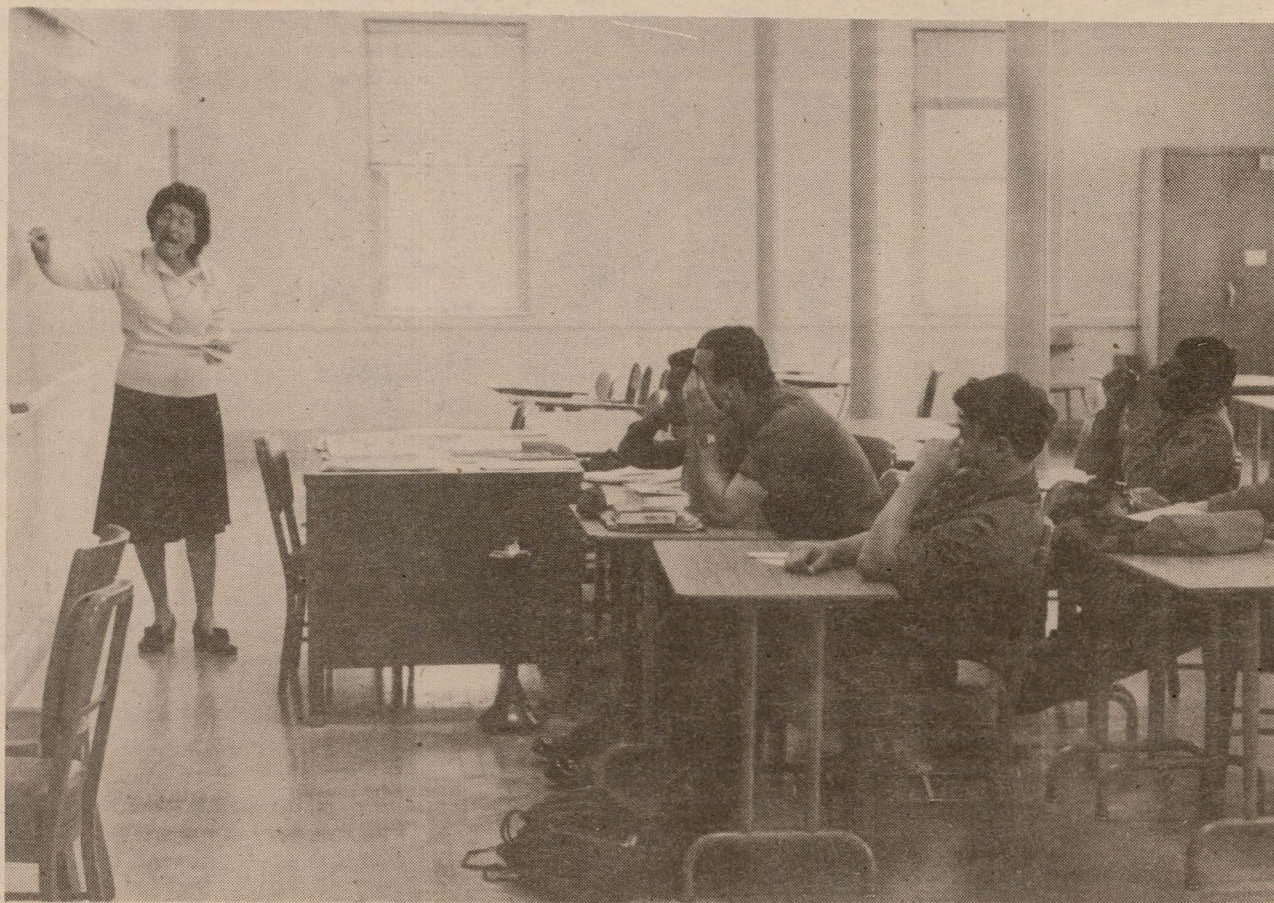
Manhart, who administers the Basic Skills Education Program (BSEP) on post, says, "If a soldier recognizes that he has a need for additional education in order to be better prepared to do his job, the basic skills program can help him to achieve his goals."

The purpose of BSEP is to provide reading, writing and mathematical skills needed for a person's continued training and professional growth, according to Manhart. The program has three sections. Enrollment in each section based on the student's proficiency and personal goals.

Developmental Reading and Math Classes—These classes are for those who need to improve their ability to understand and remember what they read. It is also designed to upgrade basic math skills. Classes are held Monday through Thursday from 1-4 p.m. for 10 weeks.

GT Improvement Class—This is an intensive review in which students prepare to retake the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) test. It is especially appropriate for those who need or want to raise their GT score to reenlist or be promoted or qualify for an Army service school. Classes are held weekdays from 7:30-11:30 a.m. for 10 weeks.

GED Certificate—May be obtained by those who successfully complete the third section of the BSSED. It consists of English grammar, math,



Linda Morgan teaching a Basic Skills Education Class.

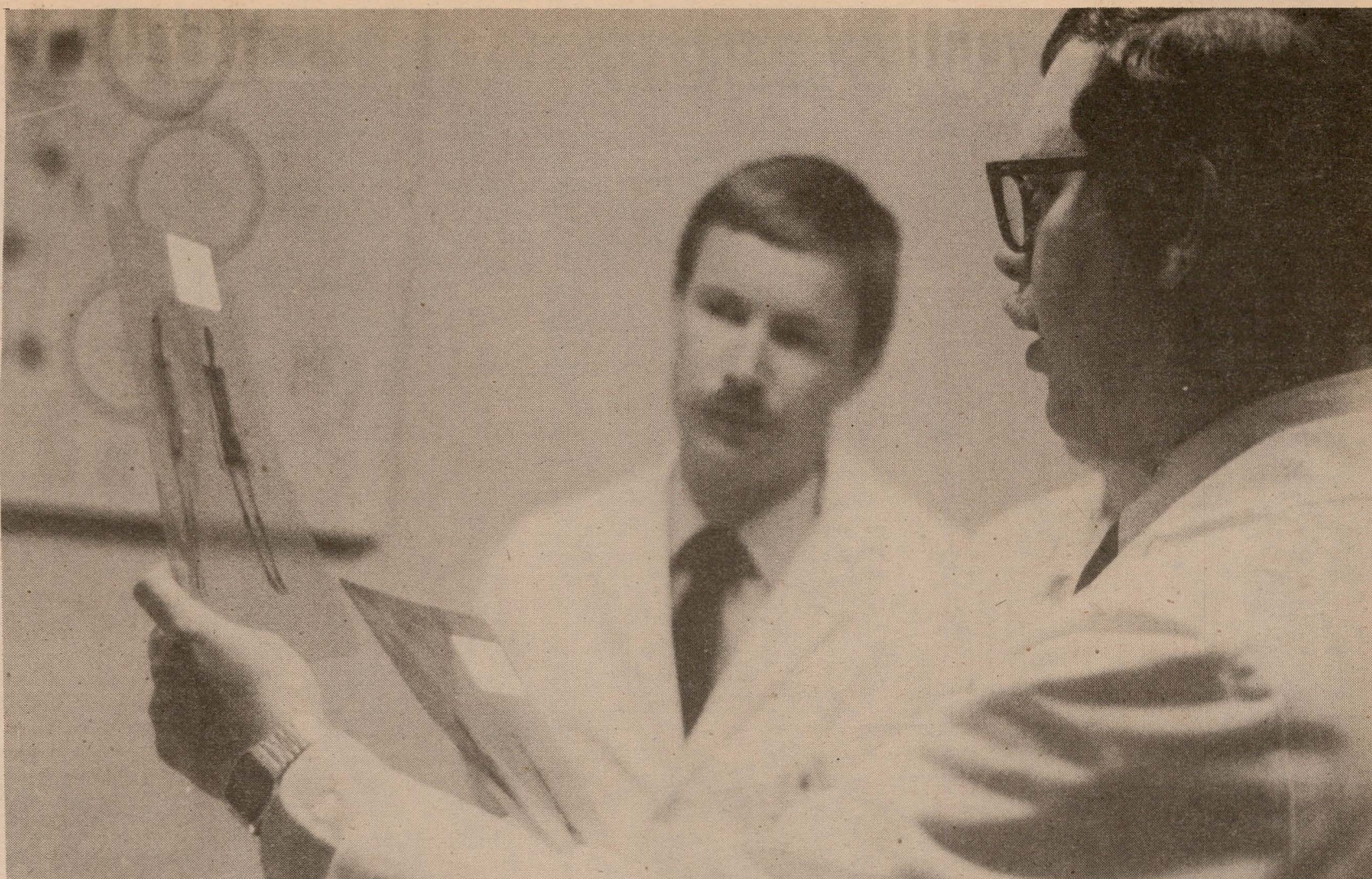
reading and social studies. It is designed for personnel who need to raise their skills on these subjects to meet Army standards. Non-high school graduates who enroll in this program can obtain a high school diploma or a GED certificate if they pass the tests at the end of the course. The program is accredited by Galileo Community College Center of San Francisco. Classes are held weekdays from 7:30 a.m.-4:15 p.m.

Another program which is offered by the Education Center on post is the "English as a Second Language" course. Designed for students whose native language is not English, the course offers students the opportunity to achieve proficiency in speaking, comprehension and writing skills. After an initial diagnosis, students are placed into a

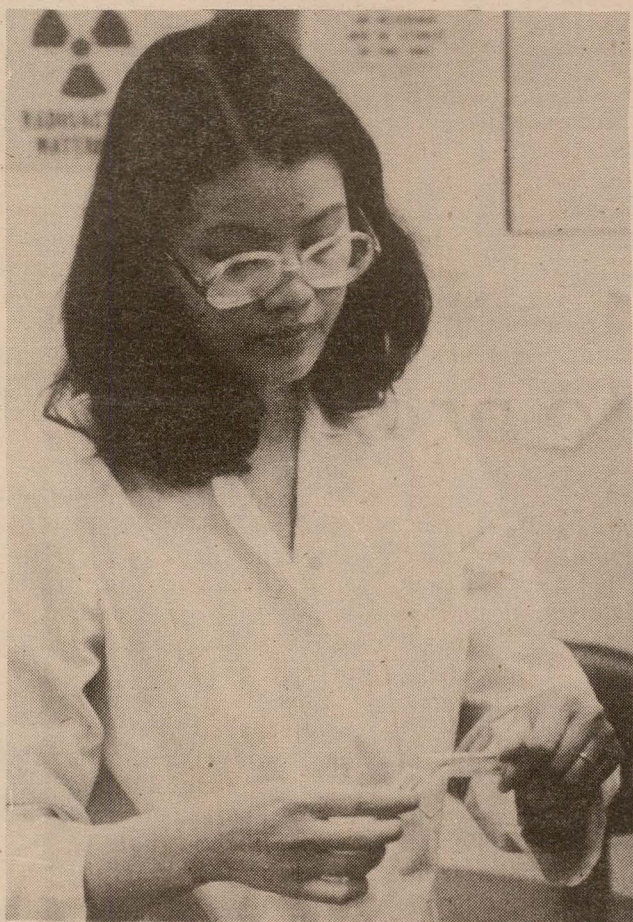
beginning, intermediate or advanced level of instruction. Classes are scheduled in two-hour blocks, Monday through Thursday afternoon.

The center also provides individual, small group and unit instruction in various subjects. Classes are given to upgrade math and English skills in preparation for college entry tests. German and Korean language courses are available for those going overseas. Other subjects include shorthand, typing and military correspondence.

Manhart emphasizes that, "The education center can set up classes in specialized subjects for units and other organizations." Persons or units desiring more information on the programs which are available should call the Ft. Scott office at ext. 4445.



Col. Robert Lull and Major Steve Bunker review a case.



Earlene Dair prepares specimens.

Letterman Nuclear Clinic

They make no bones about their work

Story and photos by Tim Dewar

It's able to detect most bone fractures weeks before x-rays, detect gall bladder and heart problems without surgery or risk and can perform a complete bone scan with almost the same amount of radiation exposure of two chest x-rays.

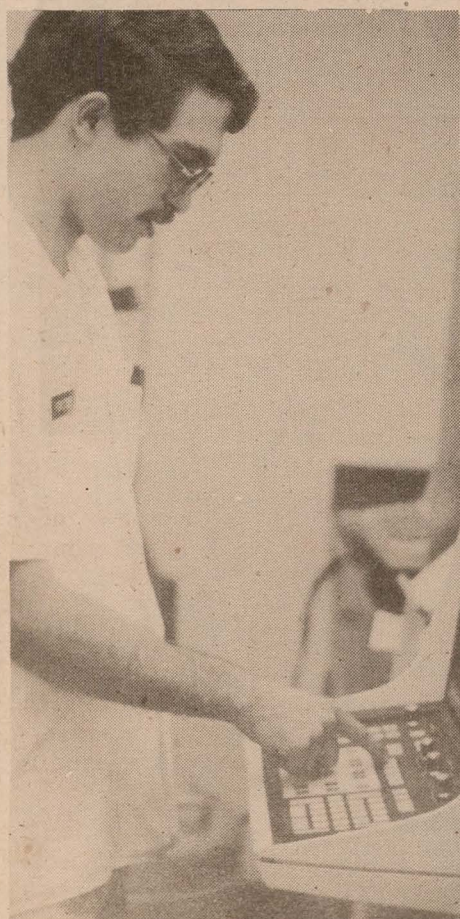
Termed by many as one of the finest training sites of its kind in the Army, the Letterman's Nuclear Medicine Unit combines people and machines to do all of these things.

"When someone comes to us with say a bone problem," explains the unit NCOIC SFC Gary Carden, "we inject a radioactive tracer, in a chemical form, into the area to be viewed. We then

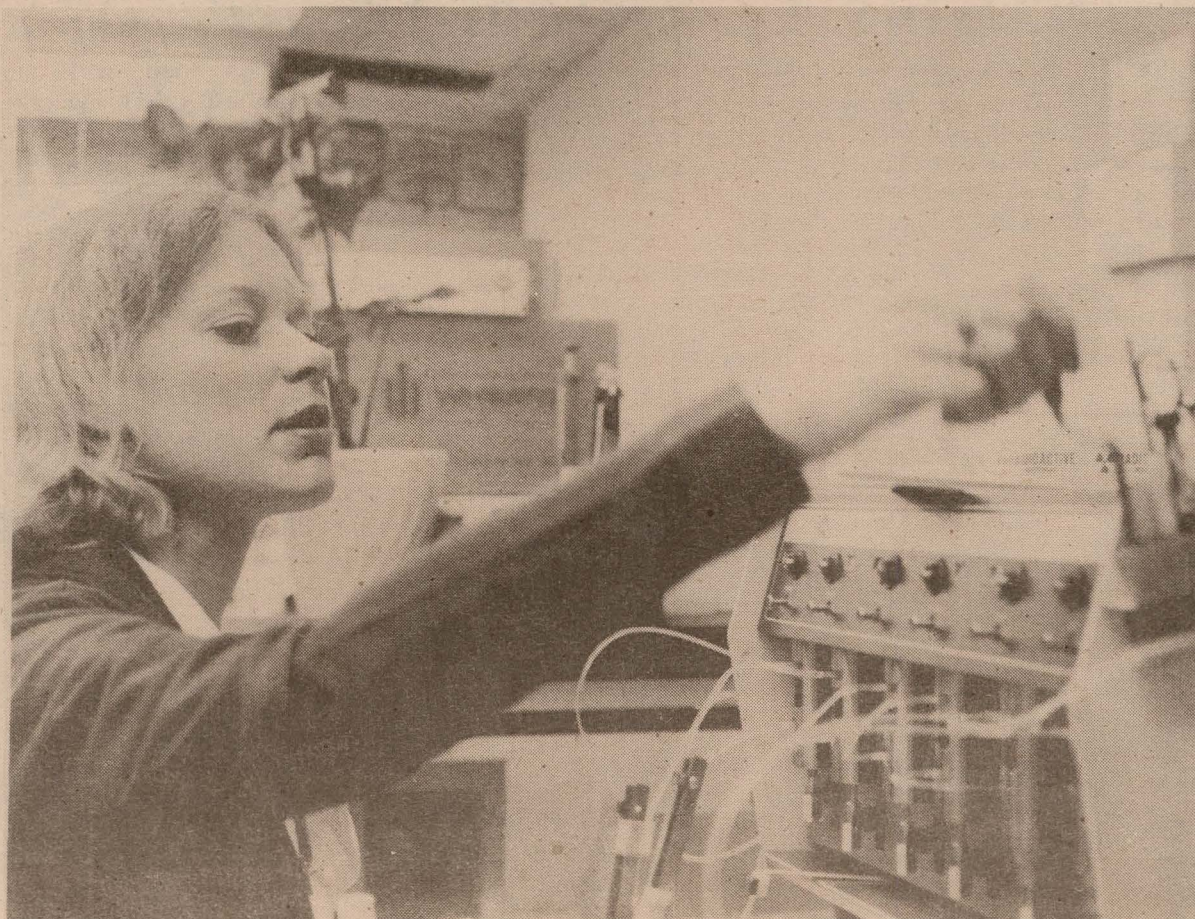
can watch the movement of the tracer to determine if there is a problem in that area."

"Although with this process you don't get the detail you can with a regular x-ray," he continues, "we can detect a fracture or crack within two or three days after it happens. With x-rays it won't show up for two or three weeks."

"There is no risk during heart examinations either as with heart catheterizations," Carden states. "Although we can't say, 'here is exactly where the problem is,' we can detect any problems that may exist and the general area where the problem is. If the doctors have to, they can then go in knowing what to expect," he says.

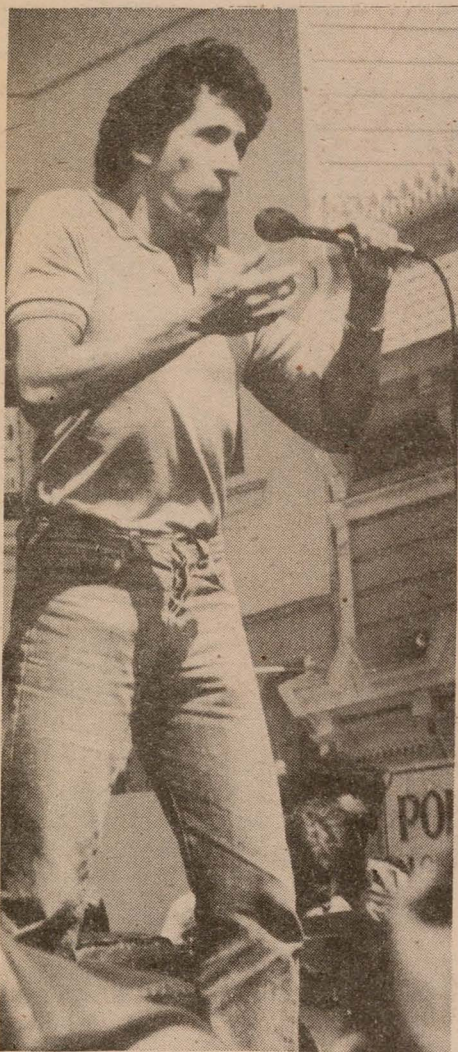


Sp5 Mike Forester works with a multi-channel analyzer.

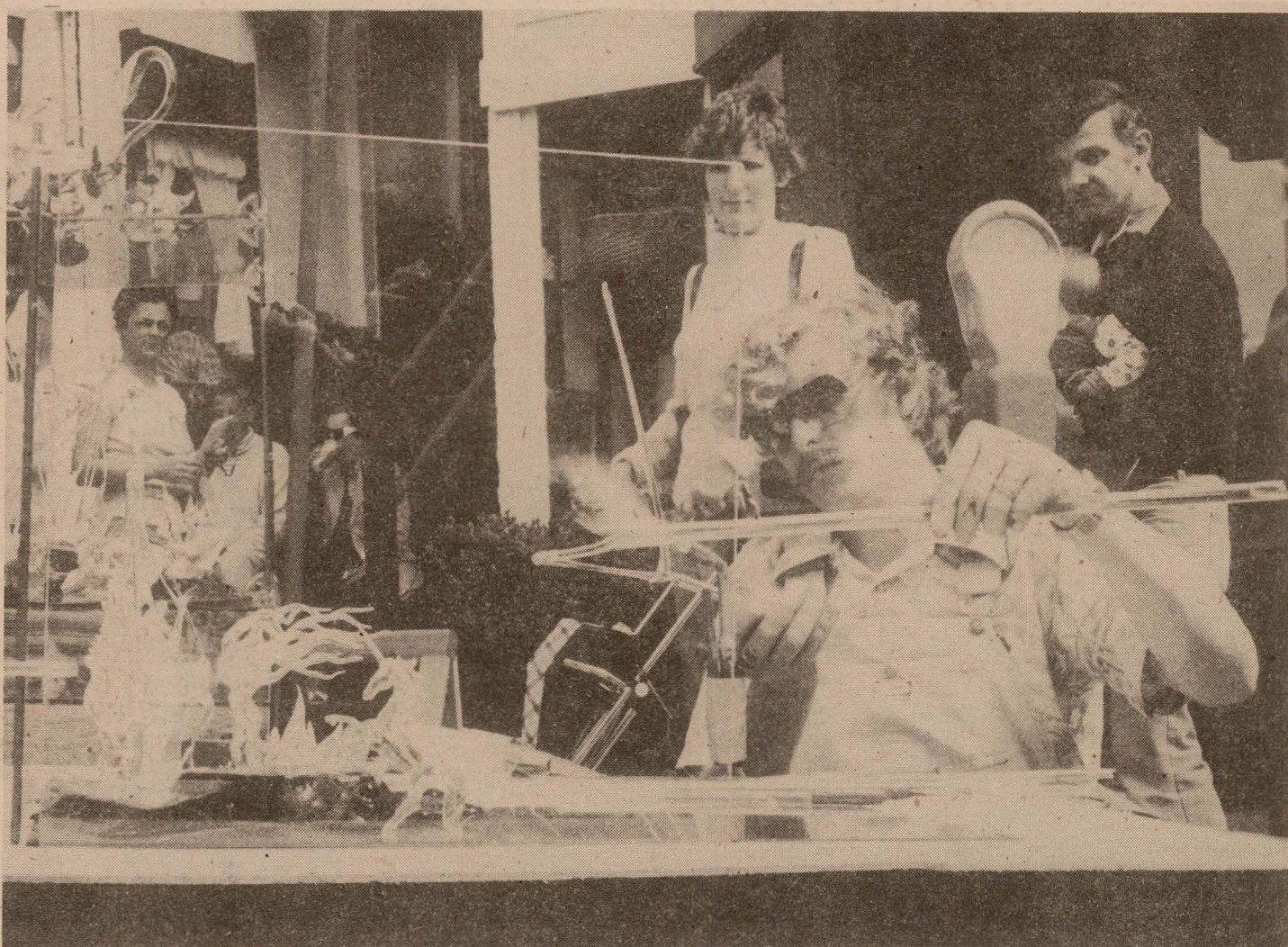


Sp5 Bonnie Grannis sets up the automatic radioimmunoassay machine.

Time to spare



An opera whistler performs for the crowds who gathered last weekend.



Many crafts are for sale during the street fairs.

Street fairs highlight city's summer days

Story and photos by Jon Chelgren

As surely as leaves turning colors signals the coming of Fall, street fairs in San Francisco announce that summer is here.

The fair season opened in the city just recently and over the weekend Union Street was the place to catch free entertainment in a variety of forms.

While a country-western band twanged away at one end, Roy Jason, the city's original street juggler, performed his feats three blocks down

the street.

But entertainment isn't the only offering at the fairs. Food ranging from corn-on-the-cob to Armenian shishebob can be bought from any of a host of booths at curbside.

The fairs, which run regularly throughout the summer, also serve as a showcase for local artisans and craftsmen to display their handiwork.

But perhaps the real attraction for some is mingling with the crowds of people who turn out for one reason only—to have some fun.



Roy Jason juggles hatchets on a unicycle during the Union Street street fair.

Jazz All-Stars perform today at Fort Point

Jazz Concert—The Sixth Army "Jazz All-Stars" will perform today at 11:30 p.m. at the Coast Guard Station at Fort Point.

The Jazz All-Stars will perform music by Thad Jones, Maynard Ferguson, Stan Kenton, Sammy Nestico and Glenn Miller.

The All-Stars, one of several performing groups from the band, will follow tonight's concert with a June

17 performance at the Letterman Army Institute of Research auditorium.

Both concerts are open to the public free of charge.

Special Program—"The Defense of the United States," a five-part special which examines survival in the nuclear age, will be aired by CBS Sunday through next Thursday.

A White Water Adventure on the Lower Klamath River is the highlight of this season's Outdoor Recreation activities. Get away from the holiday noise and hurry of the big city, July 2, 3, 4 & 5.

For \$132 per person you are provided with transportation, food, camping equipment, and professional guides who will also provide kayaking instruction to the hearty souls who want to run the rapids alone in a kayak rather than in the comparative safety of an 8 person raft. Full payment due upon sign-up.

For additional information call or come by Outdoor Recreation, 561-4324, Bldg. 92, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

California's Redwood Empire camping trip—On June 26, 27 & 28 the \$20 cost covers the campsite, transportation, camping equipment, breakfast and a big Bar-B-que dinner Saturday night.

Options available at additional cost to the individual include canoeing on the Russian River, horseback riding, hiking, diving for abalone,

and/or a visit to historic Fort Ross. Sign-up/payment deadline is June 15.

Camping—Plan now for your Summer weekend or vacation and leave the city life behind. RV's and Trailers are available for rent from Outdoor Recreation, as well as tents, lanterns, stoves, sleeping bags, ice chests, backpacks and much more for your outdoor camping needs.

Scuba Class—Next Scuba Class to begin June 30, screen test will be conducted at 6:30 p.m., Bldg. 1151, Post Swimming Pool. Cost is \$75.00 for the ten week course.

The Presidio Players' production of "GYPSY" opens at the Presidio Playhouse on Friday, June 12, at 8 p.m., for a fifteen performance run.

This popular Broadway musical is suggested by the memoirs of Gypsy Rose Lee, the late world famous strip-tease artist, with music by Jule Styne, lyrics by Stephen Sondheim, and book by Arthur Laurents.

In last year's Festival, Homrighausen won the "Best Actress In A Musical" award in the title role in "MAME" at the Presidio.

At the movies

Presidio Theater

June 11	All Night Long (R)	7 p.m.
June 12	All Night Long (R)	7 p.m.
June 13	The Old Curiosity Shop (G)	2 p.m.
June 13	Road Games (PG)	7 p.m.
June 14	The Postman Always Rings Twice (R)	7 p.m.
June 15	The Postman Always Rings Twice (R)	7 p.m.
June 16	The Fiendish Plot of Dr. Fu Manchu (PG)	7 p.m.
June 17	Brubaker (R)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

June 11	Scanners (R)	7 p.m.
June 12	The Competition (PG)	7 p.m.
June 15	All Night Long (R)	7 p.m.
June 16	Road Games (PG)	7 p.m.
June 17	The Postman Always Rings Twice (R)	7 p.m.

Sports

Solons nip Totems, Astros blast Mets

Last week's minor league game of the week featured the Solons edging the Totems 3-2.

The Solons were lead by pitching ace Jerry Smiljanic who pitched four strong innings, and eventually scored the winning run on a solid base hit by Kyle Mitchell.

Reliefers Blake Svendsen and Joe Devorak came in to save the victory.

The Totems were lead by the pitching of Ronald Hastings and Eric Freeman, and a two-run scoring triple by Hillary Butler.

In last weeks major league game of the week, the Astros fought past the Mets 14-9.

The Mets jumped out in front in the top of the third for a momentary 6-2 lead, but the Astros came back scoring one run in the bottom of the third and three runs in the fourth.

The Astros scored a total of eight runs by the bottom of the fifth inning.

The Mets made a daring comeback in the top of the sixth inning, but eventually ran out of steam.

The Astros received excellent pitching from Steve Rushing, who went five complete innings before being relieved by Jeff Hill.

Bobbie McAuley, Jeff Hill and Victor McDonald collected a total of six hits for the Astros, four of which were doubles. In addition Jeff Hill had a triple and a home run, while teammate Julie Dahl contributed a clutch three-run triple.

The 1981 DYA Baseball program, both minor (7-10-year-olds) and major (10-12 year-olds) league teams, are still looking for sign-ups. If you're interested contact Mr. Karl Gaffney at ext. 2070/5328.



Larry Everson pulls his strings.

U. S. Army photo

Doctor claims fourth

A Letterman soldier grabbed third place in his class as the FORSCOM Archery Tournament ended May 29 at Fort Campbell, Ky.

Larry Everson made his showing against 24 top archers representing 12 Army posts in the three-day competition.

"It was a very enjoyable shoot," says Everson. "This year the competition was a lot stiffer than last year's."

Everson, who was narrowly edged out of third place by a sergeant major from Fort Ord, made only his second entry into competitive archery at the tournament.

"We were neck and neck," says Everson, "and it all came down to one arrow at targets, 60 yards away. The sergeant major beat me by three-eighths of an inch."

Everson tallied a 1228 point total for the three-phase competition which pitted archers in five classes.

Weather proved to be no problem as the tourney was held under fair skies with light breezes.

Looking back on his performance and ahead to next year's tournament, Everson warns other archers, "They all just better watch out for me next year," he says.

Martinez tops tourney

The post level competition for selection of nominees to the All Army Chess Tournament, was held at the Presidio Recreation Center, Saturday and Sunday.

Sp4 Stephen Martinez of LAMC took first place. Martinez scored 4 wins and a draw to take a clear first (4½-½) in a strong field.

Defending champion, Col. Rufus R. Hart, Sixth Army, scored 4 wins, losing only to Martinez, to take second place (4-1).

Tied for third and fourth places were, in order of tie break, Sn5

Clayton Poon of LAIR, and Sp5 Gerald Jenkins of LAMC. Each scored 3½ out of 5. Fifteen players participated in the yearly two-day event. Martinez, Hart and Poon go on to face All-Army competition at Fort Meade, Md., Sept. 8-11.

The Recreation Center chess classes meets weekly on Thursdays at 6 p.m. under the direction of Chessmaster Mike Goodall.

All persons interested in learning chess, or improving their game are cordially invited to join the Chess meeting on Thursdays at Rec Center.

Sports Shorts

New ID policy

Starting July 1, the following policy will be in effect to control issue and turn-in of athletic equipment checked out by patrons of all the gymnasiums on the Presidio:

"Personnel who are authorized issue of wearing apparel and equipment at PSF gymnasiums are required to temporarily surrender individual military identification cards (ID) as collateral while utilizing equipment and/or supplies available for check out."

Approval to surrender ID cards while personnel are participating in physical/recreational activities in confined areas, such as gymnasiums, was authorized by Headquarters, FORSCOM.

Relay coming

The Sports Branch will hold a biathlon relay consisting of a 2.2 mile run and a 400 yard swim on June 24 at 12:15 p.m. beginning at the post swimming pool, bldg. 1151. Interested personnel should register at the pool, or contact Ray Mey at ext. 3673.

Lifesaving offered

The Sports Branch will offer a course in advanced lifesaving if there is enough interest. For the class to start there must be 10 people registered. For additional informa-

tion, please call Ray Mey at the post swimming pool, bldg. 1151, ext. 3673.

Runners wanted

A team to represent the Presidio in the Corporate Cup Relays (June 27-28, 1981) is being formed. The distance to be run will range from 1/4 mile to 10 kilometers for the men and from 1/4 mile to 5 kilometers for the women. There is also masters competition (40 years and over).

All interested people should contact the following personnel by Friday:

Women—Linda Wettstein at ext. 5875

Men—Jim Moore at ext. 5545

Department of the Army civilians and active duty military are eligible for this competition.

Bowlers sought

The summer bowling league is now forming at the Presidio Lanes. Military, family members, retirees, DoD civilians, and NAF employees are eligible. For more information contact the bowling center at ext. 5042.

Exercise class

A beginners and an intermediate exercise class will be offered at the post gym 2, Bldg. 1152, on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning June 16 and continuing for four weeks. Cost

will be \$20 for the eight lessons. Times for beginner will be 4:30-5:30 p.m. and the intermediate class will be 5:30-6:30. For additional information, contact Mr. Robert Darling or Ms. Ginger Daniels, ext. 4120.

Soccer camp

The California Youth Soccer Association will sponsor a Youth Soccer Camp at Paul Goode field on July 6-10. The camp will be for boys and girls, all ages, and will include instruction by licensed United States Soccer Federation coaches.

The cost of the program is \$35 per child, and includes a camp t-shirt,

and refreshments. The cost to enlisted families will be \$15.00 per child.

Please note that only the first 20 enlisted family children who sign-up will be eligible for the reduced registration fee. Fees may be paid at the Morale Support Activities office, Bldg. 122.

Lunch special

The Presidio bowling alley now has a lunch hour special Tuesday through Friday except holidays with only 50 cent lane fees from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Regular lane fee is 75 cents.

Softball standings

FORT SCOTT LEAGUE			PRESIDIO LEAGUE		
TEAM	W	L	TEAM	W	L
DOCTORS	7	0	LAIR	5	0
OAKLAND	4	1	B CO, LAMC	7	1
864th ENGRS	4	2	FOUR SEASONS	7	1
Sixth ARMY	5	1	USAG	5	3
170th MP CO	3	1	INSCOM	3	3
PHS	4	3	504th MP BN	3	3
COAST GUARD	2	5	163rd MP CO	2	6
51st ENGRS	1	6	ATTORNEYS	2	6
MSC, LAMC	1	6	USACC	1	7
MSAD	0	6	LAIR No. 2	1	7
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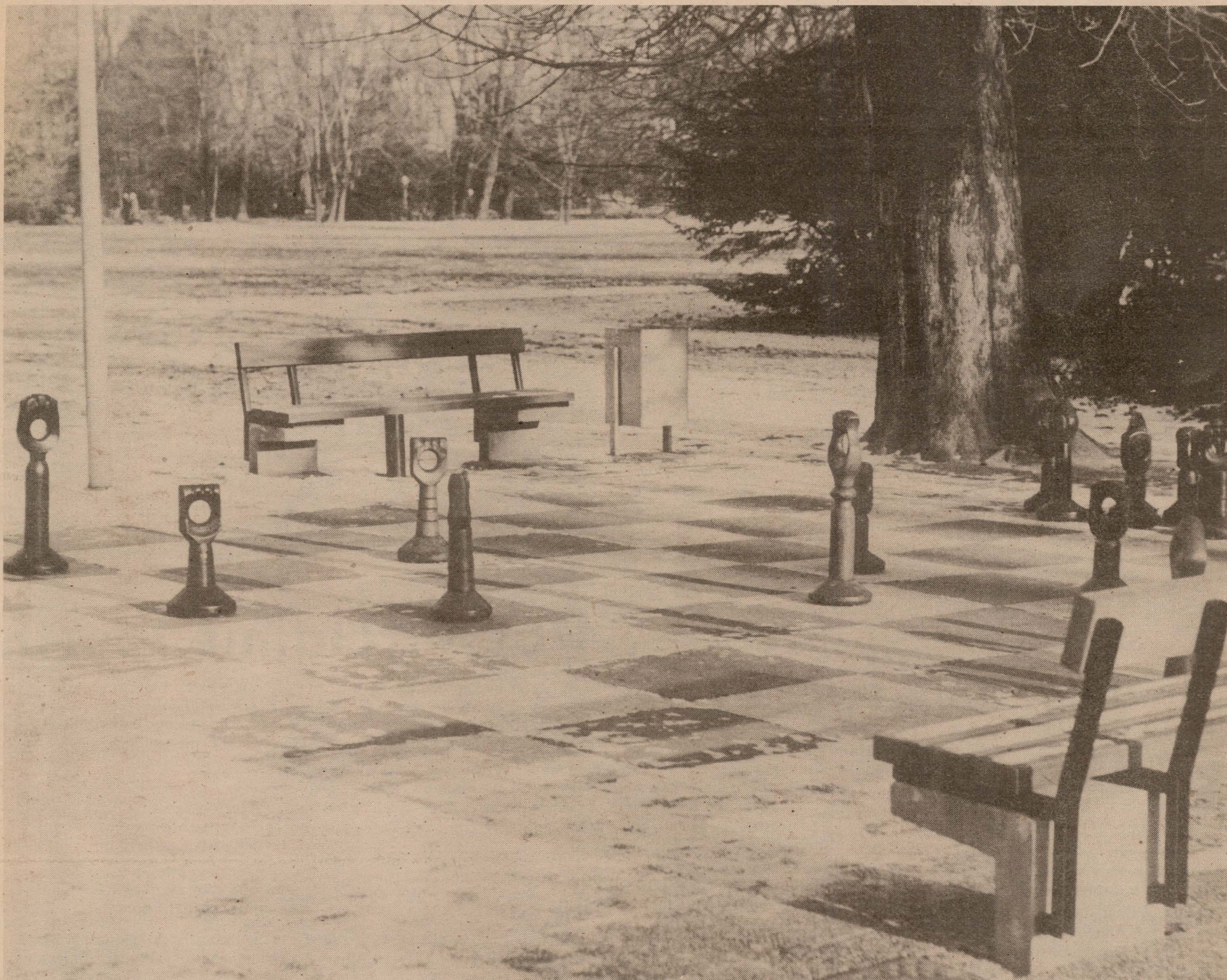


Photo of the Week

Sgt. Frank Hinz of USACC mated his camera and eye for this Photo of the Week winner. If you would like to enter the competition, drop your entry at our

newsroom in Building 37, Room 214. All winners go on to a quarterly photo competition.

Orders changed

The U.S. Army Forces Command has made a decision to restrict the assignment of married soldiers, E-5s and below, to the National Training Center at Fort Irwin.

This policy has been established because of a shortage of on-post housing at Fort Irwin and scarcity and expense of suitable housing within a reasonable commuting distance of the post.

This decision will result in the revocation of orders for some married soldiers now scheduled for assignment at the NTC.

Married soldiers E-1 through 5 with a reporting date after May 31 are most likely to have their orders revoked.

Some with earlier reporting dates may also have their orders canceled on a case-by-case basis. This is a one-time, short term action.

Reschert wins

The recipient of the Enlisted Men's wives club \$500 education scholarship was Donna Reschert, daughter of Sp5 and Mrs. Charles Penney. She plans to attend City College and San Francisco State University, majoring in medicine.

Seminar set

A pre-separation seminar will be held on June 17 at the Log Cabin, Bldg. 1299, from 8:30-11 a.m. All soldiers leaving the Army before September 30 are invited to attend.

Representatives from the Veteran's Administration, ROTC Program, National Army Reserves, and federal and county employment offices will be on hand to give information and answer questions. Attendees have a chance to talk individually with all representatives after the presentation. Handbooks which have valuable information for soldiers entering civilian life will be distributed.

Videotaped job interviewing and resume writing tips will be offered by an Education Center instructor.

Additional topics for discussion include: credit by testing, credit for MOS experience and training, apprenticeship, college and training school opportunities.

For further information contact

Barbara Hugg at the Ed. Center, bldg. 1216, ext 4445/4900.

Assertive training

Social Work will be sponsoring an "Assertive Training" workshop in the LAMC Conference (Rm. 358), on June 19 from 8-11:30 a.m.

Briefing set

Representatives from the Civilian Personnel Office, Directorate of Facility Engineers and Corps of Engineers, Korea will present a briefing on Korean employment opportunities to interested Presidio civilians on June 17 beginning at 1 p.m. in the post theater.

Professionals, workers GS-9 and above and secretaries eligible for GS-6 and GS-7 are welcome to attend the slide presentation.

USO goes on decline

An organization dedicated to serving military personnel since 1941 in San Francisco has seen a dramatic decrease in the number of people using their still active facilities.

The San Francisco United Service Organization (USO), which began as six hospitality houses, served more than six million soldiers during the Vietnam War.

The four USO centers now serve only approximately 12,000 people a year, according to the Taylor St. USO

director, Samantha Yruegais.

Less people travelling through San Francisco and staff shortages are attributed by Yruegais for the decrease. "We don't have enough people for a full blown campaign to make others aware that we are here," she explains.

"We have discount movie, stage and baseball tickets and we sometimes give Bay Area tours," Yruegais states, "We also have a reading room, pool tables, pinball machines, backgammon and a free library. We are

open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. everyday except Sunday when we are open from noon to 8 p.m.," she adds.

Friday night at the USO is social night with junior volunteers, women from 18 to 30-years-old who volunteer to play backgammon, pool, chess or just to talk with the visiting service people.

"Since no alcoholic beverages are allowed," she suggests, "this is an enjoyable alternative to going out and drinking."

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Transient charged in pair of fires

A civilian transient was arrested by the MPs Thursday night after he allegedly set a pair of fires at Battery Blaney above the post's fuel point.

Presidio firefighters and MPs were called to the battery at approximately 9 p.m. Thursday where they found the 31 year-old man standing by a burning pile of brush and wood. While firemen extinguished the flames, the MPs detained and questioned the man.

The suspect had apparently been illegally living inside the Battery Blaney bunker. A quick check by fire officials spotted the second blaze which the suspect allegedly set by lighting an old mattress.

The man was later charged with trespassing and unlawfully causing a fire on federal property, both misdemeanors.

According to Fire Chief Bill Williams, the fires could have been extremely serious. "If we had had the kind of winds that we had during the afternoon the fires could have really spread," he said.

In addition to the danger of the flames spreading to the fuel point directly below the battery, Williams pointed out that the fire could also have damaged a nearby shed housing communications equipment.

The suspect, whose motives for the fires remains unclear, was released Thursday following questioning. He will face a federal magistrate to answer the charges against him.



Presidio firemen battle a brush fire at Battery Blaney.

Photo by Jon Chelgren

Dialing out?

Presidians battle to 'reach out and touch someone'

Story and photo by Jon Chelgren

"We very simply have reached the saturation level."

That is how Maj. Phillip Patterson, chief of the Directorate of Communications and Electronics, explains the growing problem of Presidio telephone users attempting to get outside phone lines to dial off-post numbers.

As the Presidio's "Pa Bell," Patterson has been grappling with the problem of congested phone lines which he says reached a "critical point" in May.

A number of long and short term solutions are being taken now which may alleviate the problem.

Patterson says the problem is basically that 5400 on-post phone customers are competing for the use of only 75 off-post lines. Because of increased usage of those lines, one of the solutions Patterson is looking at

now is the possibility of leasing additional lines from the phone company.

Patterson notes that, unlike most military bases, the Presidio places a great many more off-post phone calls than most military bases. He points out that a number of organizations, such as Sixth Army, rely heavily on off-post calls to accomplish their missions.

Adding to the problems, he says are steady increases in the missions of units. He notes that the Defense Intelligence Agency recently added 20 people to their staff whose jobs also require a great number of off-post calls.

Whether or not the post gets approval for additional phone lines is largely dependent on the outcome of a phone line use analysis being completed now, says Patterson.

After determining that the post's aging telephone equipment itself was

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Photo by Jon Chelgren

Sp5 David Cabe runs a check on one of the outgoing phone lines.

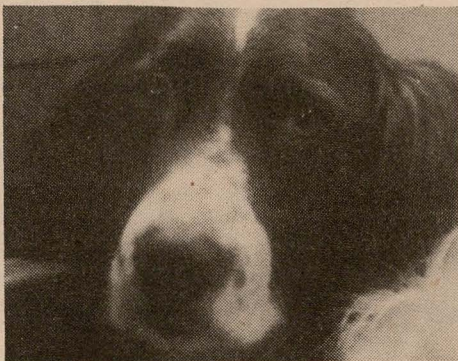
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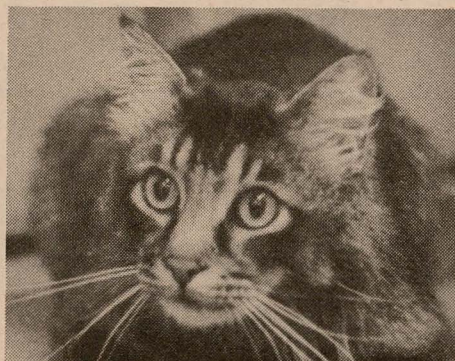
What do you think of animal control regulations?



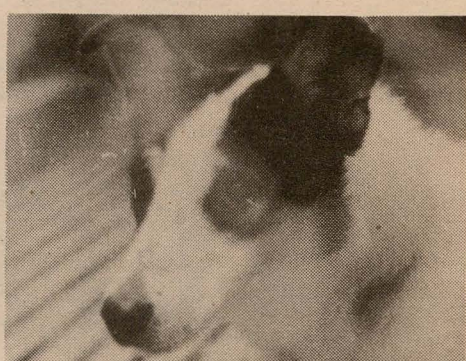
Brutus—"Hey, I'm a fun-loving guy. So come Friday night, I'm ready to slip this collar and head out for a night on the town. But, I always get caught and my owner has to pay to get me bck. Boy, does he get mad."



Hump—"With a nose like this I hate to be seen in public, but when I do, my owner always makes me wear a leash or remain in close voice control by his side. It's the way I was brought up, so I don't mind. In fact I'm used to it."



Felix—"I don't leave the house much, but when I do I take off for days. I usually end up in the "dog house" when I get back, so I think the laws are too strict."



Scruffy—"Laws nothin! Listen buster, I think animals should be able to run without a leash if we want to. So what if we get into garbage bags and bite children, everyone's entitled to a little fun."



Joy Schroder gives her floor a close shave.

Photo by Jon Chelgren

Commentary

They're after us!

by K. Douglas Cook

Scrape... scrape... scrape, scrape.

Have you ever been in the same room with a person who runs his or her fingernails down a chalk board? Then you have some small idea how the latest fad to hit building 37 is hitting me!

Scrape... scrape. At first it was a distant sound. I found myself clutching the blotter on my desk for no apparent reason. Like clockwork, every day at lunch time, scrape... scrape!

Finally, fearing a total loss of sanity, I began to investigate. Following the sound, I entered a hallway where most civilian employees fear to tread. Over the entrance to the area from which the sound came hung the sign which strikes terror into the hearts of feds—Position and Pay Management!

For those of you who may not know, and you're probably wearing a uniform or retired from duty, Position and Pay Management is that branch of Civilian Personnel which determines an employee's grade and pay in a job. Like Mother Nature, it's not wise to fool with these folks!

Yet, the sound of scraping got the better of me and I dared to tread upon this hallowed ground. As I came nearer the sound, my imagination ran wild. Perhaps this was the sound of a job description being changed or a grade being altered!

The tension was almost unbear-

able as I carefully poked my head into a cubical, the scraping sound continuing. Her eyes met mine. Good heavens... she's armed with a razor!

"Oh, hi!" said Joy Schroder, "Care to join me in a little therapy?"

There she was, surrounded by a pile of gray material, scraping the linoleum floor. The difference between where she had scraped and what remained was astounding! The floor actually looked new—clean!

Now I know we have a paid janitorial service which cleans our building. Further, I also know this service waxes and buffs the floors regularly. I guess I just assumed the floors were naturally ugly in color.

Sensing an explanation was in order, Joy Schroder explained, "I just got tired of looking at filthy floors, so before work and during my lunch break, I scrape a little in my area. It does take a while, but the results are worth it," she said.

That encounter was several weeks ago. Schroder has finished her floor area, but the scraping hasn't stopped. Each day at noon, while I'm trying to look a sandwich in the eye, that sound filters down the halls of building 37.

Scrape... scrape... scrape. Each day it gets closer and now it seems there's a small army, armed with razors and grim determination, removing eons of wax-coated dirt from the floors.

Letters

Dear K. Douglas Cook,

Read your article on "Bay Area restaurant review" and would like to point out that a better or "best" (New Yorker magazine) barbeque in San Francisco is "Leon's" which is located across from the San Francisco Zoo on Sloat. Prices are reasonable and portions are generous. They don't par-boil their meat like some other places that are pressed for time. Be worth your while to check it out.

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Ever go to "New Pisa" for lunch on Tuesdays? Starting at 11 a.m. they start serving baked chicken wings, chicken livers, pizza and some other goodies in the bar for free. When you sit down, you have a choice of bean soup or salad (with anchovies by request), choice of ravioli or spaghetti, all the Italian bread and butter you can eat. The Tuesday special of Prime Rib, dessert and coffee is only \$4.25.

If you really want to try a gastronomical experience, go to the California Culinary Academy on Friday for lunch. It is a buffet that is excellent. The wine list has over 100 different brands. Forget the dinners since they are booked everyday solid till September. You could take your chances on cancellations.

Try the places above and they may add some more light to column.
A.S. Palabrica
Morale Support

Dear Ms. Palabrica:

Thanks for all the tips worth sharing with our readers! I'll make an attempt to review some or all of these in future issues. Yes, I know it's a dirty job... but someone has to do it! Oh, why do I get the feeling you are cursed with skinniness??

K. Douglas Cook

Reservists may lose double pay

by Brandy Byrne

Some reservists may be the losers if a proposal by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to trim \$40 million from the budget is accepted.

The OMB proposes to save the money by ending the practice of "dual pay" for federally-employed civilians on active duty for training with the Army Reserve.

Under the present system, members of the reserves who are also federal employees receive what amounts to two pay checks for the same period of work.

If the OMB proposal passes, people in this category—estimated to be approximately eight percent of the Army Reserves—would receive the greater net pay of their two salaries for the period, but not both checks. The annual leave accorded federal civilians for Army Reserve annual training would not be affected.

The issue becomes far more complex for many so-called "dual status" employees at the Presidio. Under current Army Reserve doctrine, a federal employee who works for the Reserves, must also be a member of the Reserves and attend regular drills and training. In many cases this means that the employee is obliged to work some nights and weekends in uniform. The pay he

receives for this period is based upon his military grade and time in service.

While David Stockman, director of the OMB, calls his proposal "eminently fair and reasonable," a number of local dual status employees think otherwise (see related story). Their reactions signify that the issue may be a source of high emotions and sensitivities about service to country versus continued employment with the government.

Despite the loss of pay if the proposal passes, OMB officials do not expect the plan to result in a significant loss of manpower for the Reserves. They hope that bonuses and other incentive programs for Reserve service will foster recruiting and retention thereby offsetting any possible losses.

Recently the Army Chief of Staff, Gen. Edward C. Meyer, expressed his concerns over the readiness of the Reserves. Lacking concrete motiva-

tion such as a draft, the Army Reserve is meeting increased difficulty in filling positions.

Some dual status civilians suggest that losing people because of the proposed pay loss may have serious consequences given the Reserves' present manpower situation.

A decision on whether or not to adopt the OMB proposal is expected to be forthcoming.

Local reservists angrily react to pay news

by Brandy Byrne

While officials in Washington search for ways of trimming the budget costs, dual status reservists at the Presidio are reacting angrily to news that they may lose money as a result of the latest OMB proposal.

A number of local dual status reservists voiced their opinions on the proposed change. All asked that their identities be withheld.

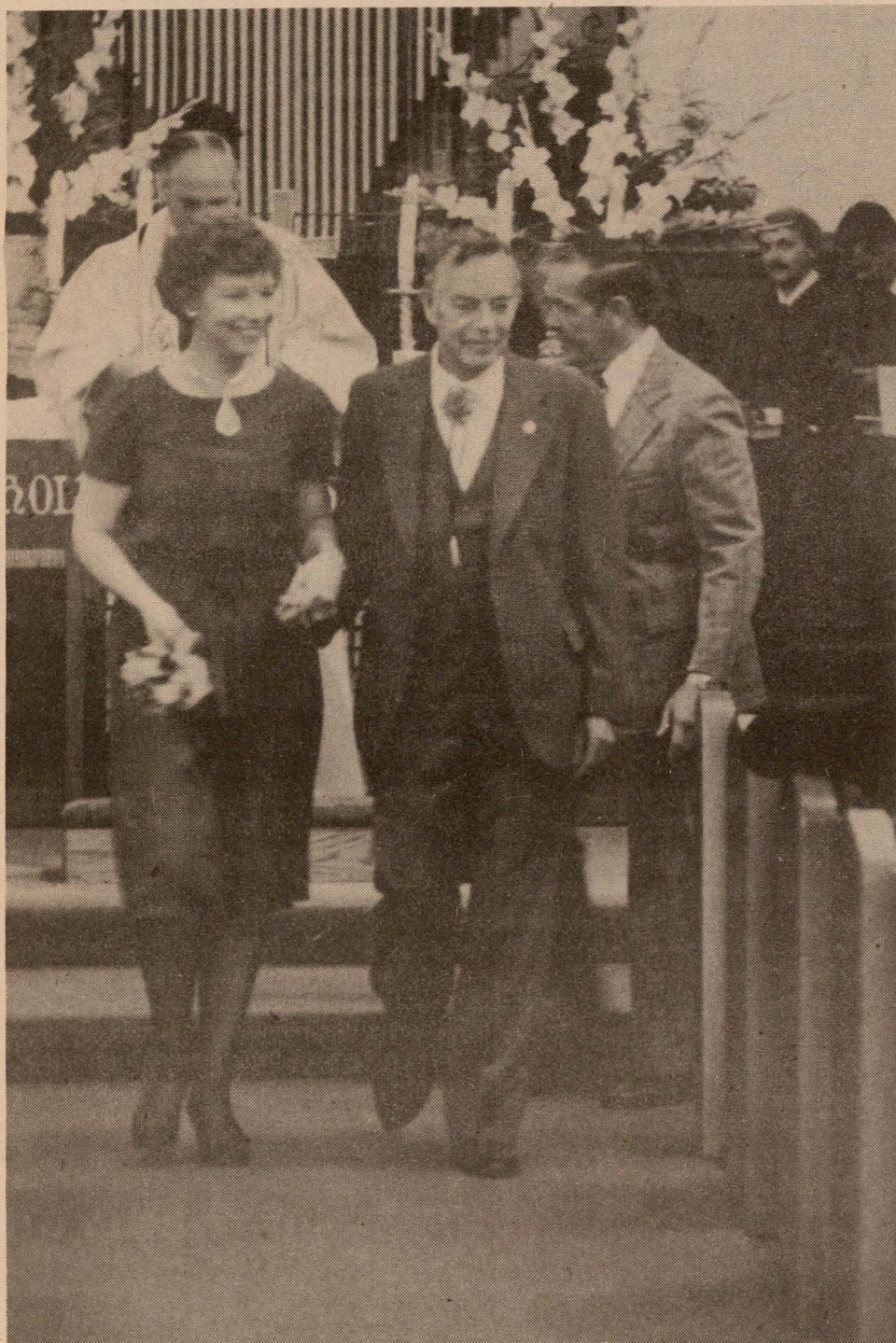
"Doesn't surprise me," said one federal employee who is also a master sergeant in a reserve unit. "Since President Reagan is cutting back, the working person

might as well get it again! Why don't they start at the top for a change? I have to be a reservist or lose my position as a technician (reserve support employee), so what can I do but accept it? If they want to save money, stop sending us to the East Coast for annual training."

While OMB officials are suggesting that bonuses and other incentive programs will offset personnel losses for the reserves, employee and reserve first sergeant disagrees. "I feel this will be a detriment to recruiting and retention," he says. "Anyone with

more than eight years in the Army Reserves is no longer eligible for bonuses or incentive pay."

Suggesting that the cut may be too hard to take, one dual status employee sums his feelings up: "As a federal employee working 40 hours per week, I handle the day to day business of this unit. However, my week doesn't end after these 40 hours. I also attend staff meetings in the evenings and at least one drill per month. My combined pay, considering all the responsibilities and the time invested, still does not equate with a counterpart working in the private sector."



The Snells walk down the aisle for the second time.

photo by Tim Dewar



The Snells reminisce over their wedding photos.

photo by Tim Dewar

Wedding bells echo

24 years ago the *Star Presidian* featured a story about two Army officers who met one day and were engaged to be married the next!

The story went on to recount the rather fascinating romance and subsequent marriage of Maj. M.J. "Hap" Snell and 1st Lt. Iris Snell. It sounded like something right out of Hollywood's dream factory and, last Sunday in the Presidio Chapel, the dream continued.

The chapel was the site of the Snell's first vows on June 16, 1956. A scant 19 days later, he was on his way to a little-known country to become an advisor. Snell was to be one of the first Army advisors sent to this place called Vietnam.

The bride, an Army nurse, stayed behind, serving at the old Letterman Army Hospital. It would be one year before they would be reunited and the first of two tours in Vietnam for "Hap" Snell.

This past Sunday, 25 years after those vows of marriage were made, the Snells renewed their commitment to each other. They travelled here from Dallas, Texas, for the ceremony where "Hap" Snell is completing 41 years total federal service with the Department of Health and Human Services. He also retired from the army as a Lieutenant Colonel. Iris Snell has devoted a great deal of her time to political activities in the Dallas area.

Crash causes spill

An elderly woman was treated and released at Letterman Army Medical Center Saturday afternoon after her car was struck from behind at Crissy Field Road and Lincoln Blvd.

According to fire officials, the woman was stopped at the sign at the top of Crissy Field Road when the accident occurred.

Presidio firefighters raced to the

scene of the accident where they discovered that the woman's gas tank had split open from the impact of the crash.

According to acting Assistant Fire Chief Barry Gabe, 10 to 15 gallons of gas were flowing around on the street when his men arrived. In addition to giving emergency medical treatment to the woman, the firefighters managed to divert the

gasoline off the road and away from nearby storm drains.

The woman was taken to Letterman by an ambulance which was returning from the scene of an earlier accident at Fort Baker.

Underscoring the danger from the gas spill, Gabe noted that the warm weekend weather brought a number of drivers across post. "We had traffic coming out of our ears," he said.

Running, training keep soldier trim

Story and photo by Charlie Taylor

For Sp5 Rick Bradley of COM-PACT, running is more than just exercise—it is a way to keep his weight down.

Bradley, now a 165-pounder, weighed more than 225 pounds before joining the Army in 1976.

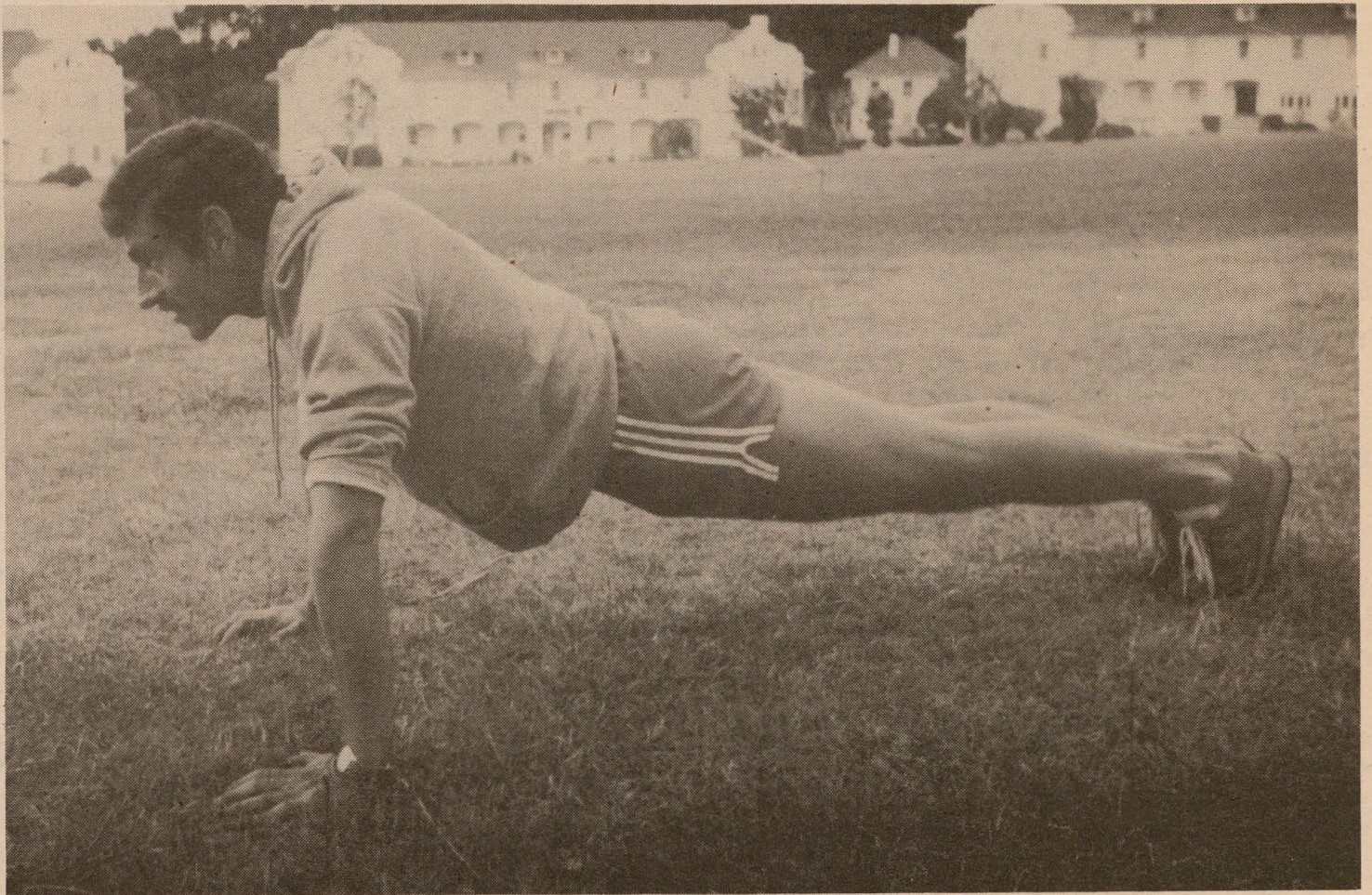
"I was a television fanatic," he says. "You know, people who sit back and watch TV and allow themselves to be taken by the good food commercials? Well, that's what happened to me. Grabbing a sandwich here and there aside from three meals a day, weight sort of sneaks up on you. And I, like the average person, didn't realize I had a weight problem until my clothes didn't fit anymore."

Shortly before enlisting, Bradley embarked on his own weight control program which brought him down to 197 pounds before he actually entered the Army.

"Even though I've always been able to run long distances, I had to learn to accept the fact that it would take more than running a few miles a day to lose those extra pounds," he says.

While assigned to Frankfurt, Germany, Bradley, with a strong desire to bring his weight down, convinced his supervisors to allow him time off from his job to work on his own fitness program.

The training paid off as Bradley worked his weight down to 150 pounds. He also began participating in local track and field meets taking first place in a one-mile event and



Bradley trains to keep his weight down.

placing second in the two-mile run.

In a later assignment to Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., Bradley ran his first marathon. While he didn't win it, it did inspire him to keep up his training and continue competing. He began running before, after and during the day, jogging 25 miles a day in hopes of becoming a top distance runner.

A broken ankle, however, forced Bradley to slow down the pace of his training. While he eventually lost the desire to become a top competitor, he still felt the need to keep running to stay fit.

Stating that exercise and the right foods will always be a part of his lifestyle, Bradley now runs 10 miles a day to keep his weight down and stay

in shape. In May he ran in the Bay to Breakers race, placing 177th in a crowd of 40,000.

Of his weight loss, Bradley says, "No one can help you loose weight but you. It takes individual motivation to lose weight or control what could possibly become a serious problem."

Is headquarters becoming a ghost town?

by K. Douglas Cook

If the headquarters building of the Presidio appears to be a calm place these days, that's only because outward appearances can be very deceiving!

The post said farewell to Col. Desmond Dewey, deputy post commander last Friday and will shortly be saying the same to his secretary, Barbara Desina.

Desina, who began her tour of duty at the post in 1962 at the old Letterman Army Hospital, became Dewey's secretary about one year ago. Her departure from the post is a result of a recent promotion and a reassignment to the Corps of Engineers in Tel-Aviv, Israel.

Dewey is on his way to an assignment near Hartford, Conn., where he will assume duties as the senior army advisor for the 76th Division (Train-

Some of those who worked under Dewey's direction say his professional and business like manner greatly contrasted with his remarkable sense of humor. Even when a fall from a ladder while painting his home in Marin County placed him in a painful situation with injuries to both arms, they note Dewey still managed to continue the daily business of the post.

Members of the Presidio's principal staff say they will not soon forget Dewey's abilities to move administrative actions across his desk, recall items to be accomplished (with the assistance of the now-famous "Black Book") or offer a most unique form of motivational encouragement without having to utter a single word!

"He was probably one of the most supportive and fair-minded super-

visors I have ever worked for in my career," says Barbara Desina. "As assistant to Col. Hall, the post commander, his work load was usually large, but he always had time to think of others and their careers too."

Desina is also embarking on a journey filled with unique twists. Her new assignment will find her as the Administrative Assistant and Secretary to Brig. Gen. John Wall, the project manager of the Near East Project Office (NEPO) in Israel.

The Corps of Engineers is currently accomplishing a nearly impossible task of building two airfields in that country in an unheard of time frame. "I'll be working 6 days per week and living in the same building as my office," says Desina. "April, 1982 is the deadline set for completion of the airfields and I've been told there won't be much time for small talk."

Yet, Desina plans to also continue another very important part of her life. Dewey helped her in this area by administering the reenlistment oath to SFC Desina as his last official act at the Presidio.

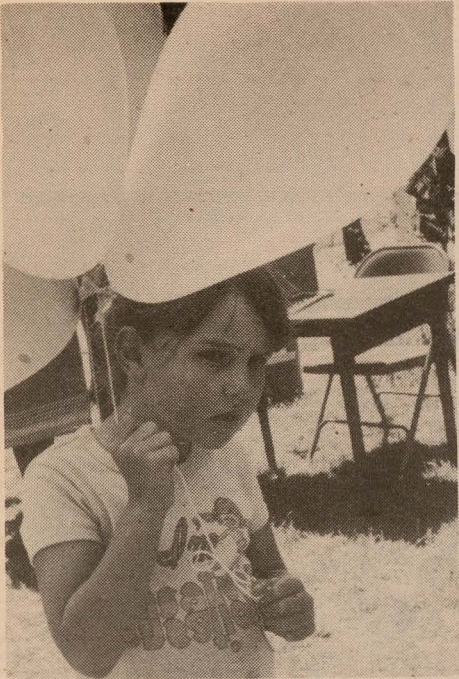
Desina is part of the Army Reserves, most recently serving with the 353rd Psychological Operations Battalion, assigned as an intelligence analyst. Due to her new overseas civilian job, she has become part of the Army's Individual Ready Reserves (IRR) which will allow her to continue her service through correspondence courses and annual training in such places as Germany.

Replacing Col. Dewey as acting deputy post commander is Lt. Col. William Westbrook, formerly of the Comptroller's Office on post. A replacement for Desina has yet to be announced.

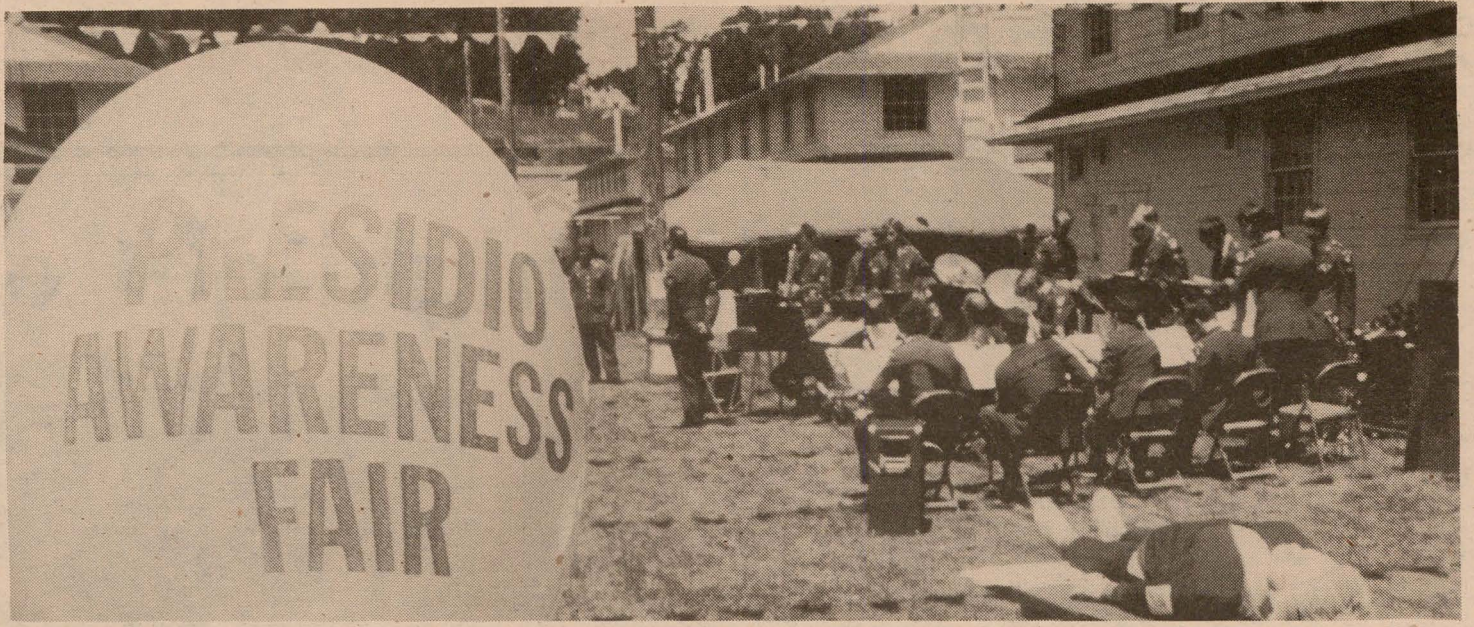
That time again

Arts and crafts classes will be one of a host of offerings this summer as the Dependent Youth Activity (DYA) gears up for its summer schedule. Registration for DYA summer activities will be held June 29 and 30 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Log Cabin Community Center. Classes offered include gymnastics, tennis, auto repair for teens, computer operations, archery, weight training, racquetball, theater arts and fencing. For more information call 561-5143.





Andreanna Jarwin looks on at activities.



The Sixth Army Jazz All Stars highlighted the day.

Food, fun, music

Awareness Fair a carnival scene

Story and photos by Jon Chelgren

An almost carnival atmosphere spread across Crissy Field last week as the Human Resources Development Division (HRDD) sponsored their "Awareness Fair" to entertain and educate Presidians.

The fair, which featured a variety of performers as well as a host of information booths, actually started out as a simple open house for the Alcohol and Drug Assistance Branch, according to Ms. Melinda McQuiston, one of the fair's organizers.

It grew to become the festival that Presidians turned out for in large numbers.

Highlighting the one-day event

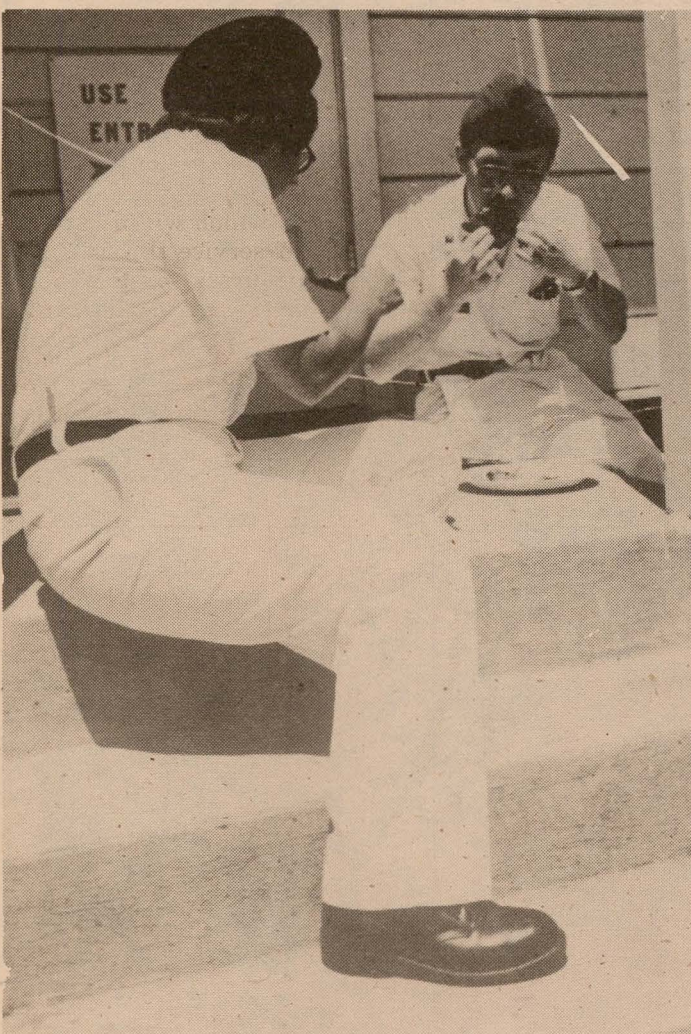
was a performance by the Sixth Army Band's Jazz All-Stars which played a number of hits and then ended the show with their own jazz version of "As the Cassons Go Rolling Along."

One of the more popular attractions at the fair seemed to be the food table where crowds of fair-goers packed themselves into line for a platefull of potato salad and barbecued spare ribs.

In addition to the open house aspect of the fair, numerous booths offered information on not only drug and alcohol abuse but also such things as recreational opportunities available through the Outdoor Rec Center and the assistance offered by the Army Community Service.



A crowd gathers to watch a performer.



Sp4 Dennis Clavelli (r.) digs into some ribs.



Ed Brown dishes up spareribs.

Time to spare

Street fair, trips highlight events

Swim classes—a series of learn to swim and lifesaving classes are scheduled this summer at nine swimming pools operated by the San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department. The program, which opens Monday, is designed for people 48 inches or taller and between 7 and 18 years of age. All classes are scheduled for Mondays through Fridays. The learn to swim classes will be held on a half-an-hour basis from 9 to 11 a.m. Cost of the class is 25¢ per day. Registration will be on a first-come, first-served basis. No reservations will be accepted by telephone or mail. For information on times and the pools—where the classes will take place call 558-3643.

Archery tourney—there will be an archery tournament sponsored by the San Francisco Parks and Recreation Department Sunday at 10 a.m. near 47th Avenue and Fulton Street in Golden Gate Parks Archery field.

Street Fair—The Upper Grant Avenue Street Fair runs Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The fair features more than 200 artists and craftsmen as well as live entertainment and food. The fair will be held on Grant between Vallejo and Filbert Streets.

Free Tennis Clinics—A series of free tennis clinics for youths 9-15 years old begins Monday at city playgrounds. Each clinic runs two days a week for four weeks. The clinics' grand finale will be the Junior Tennis Extravaganza at Golden Gate Park in August. For more information on the clinics call 558-4268.

Picnic and Dance—The Presidio Parent-Youth Club is sponsoring a family picnic and youth dance on June 27 at the Presidio Community Center (Log Cabin). For more information call 561-2546 or 387-5391.

Plays—The San Francisco State University's summer stock season opens Wednesday with "Sleuth" by Anthony Shaffer. The play runs through June 28 and will be followed by "Jacques Brel is Alive and Well and Living in Paris" which opens July 1. For showtimes and ticket prices call 469-2467.

Mount Tam Hike—A day hike to Mount Tamalpais is scheduled for July 12. The \$2 cost includes transportation, a guide and equipment. Contact the Outdoor Recreation Center before July 10 to sign up for the trip.

Waterski Weekend—The Outdoor Rec Center is also sponsoring a waterski weekend at South Lake Tahoe July 24-26. For \$40 per person participants will get transportation, ski equipment, food and lodging. Sign up deadline for the trip is July 17.

Gold Panning Expedition—The Yuba River will be the site of gold panning expeditions July 31 and Aug. 2. For \$20 the Outdoor Recreation Center will provide transportation, equipment and instruction. The trip concludes with a tour of the Malakof Diggings State Historic Park. Sign up deadline for the trip is July 24.

Recreation Center News—

Presidio Modern Western Square Dance Group meets every Thursday at the Community Center.

Computer Class meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Recreation Center.

Hank's Pool Instruction is held every Thursday at 7 p.m. at the Recreation Center.

Canoe Trip on the Russian River is scheduled for July 18, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. The \$15 price includes bus transportation to and from the Rec Center, canoe, paddle, life jacket, wine-tasting tour at the historic Italian Swiss Colony Winery and a chicken barbecue dinner.

There are only a few spaces left on this trip, so please do not wait much longer to sign-up!

The Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk is scheduled for Aug. 22, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., the \$5.00 price includes bus transportation. Deadline for sign-up is Aug. 1.

The International ticket and tour section has tickets for:
Great America, \$8.50; regularly \$11.95.
Marine World, \$6.75 and \$4.75; regularly \$8.95 and \$5.95.
Reno Hospitality Books, \$2.25.
Lion Country Safari tickets, adults \$4.25, regularly \$5.95; child \$2.75, regularly \$3.75.

For additional information concerning activities, please call ext. 2000. Ticket sales and distribution of discount coupons are available after 4 p.m.



photo by Tim Dewar

Top of the morning

A robot man performs at a recent street fair.



U. S. Army photo

Getting high

This view from Smith Peak, elevation 7154 feet, highlighted outdoor recreation's backpacking trip to Yosemite National Park during the Memorial Day weekend. A day hike to Mount Tamalpais and a gold panning expedition to the Yuba River are scheduled for outdoor enthusiasts. For more information concerning these or other trips, contact the Outdoor Recreation Center at ext. 4324.

At the movies

Presidio Theater

June 18	American Pop (R)	7 p.m.
June 19	American Pop (R)	7 p.m.
June 20	Matilda (G)	2 p.m.
June 20	Coal Miner's Daughter (PG)	7 p.m.
June 21	Altered States (R)	7 p.m.
June 22	Altered States (R)	7 p.m.
June 23	Melvin and Howard (R)	7 p.m.
June 24	Special Edition Close Encounters (PG)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

June 18	The Fiendish Plot of Dr. Fu Manchu (PG)	7 p.m.
June 19	Brubaker (R)	7 p.m.
June 22	American Pop (R)	7 p.m.
June 23	Coal Miner's Daughter (PG)	7 p.m.
June 24	Altered States (R)	7 p.m.

Sports

Army track team wins title again

by Jon Chelgren

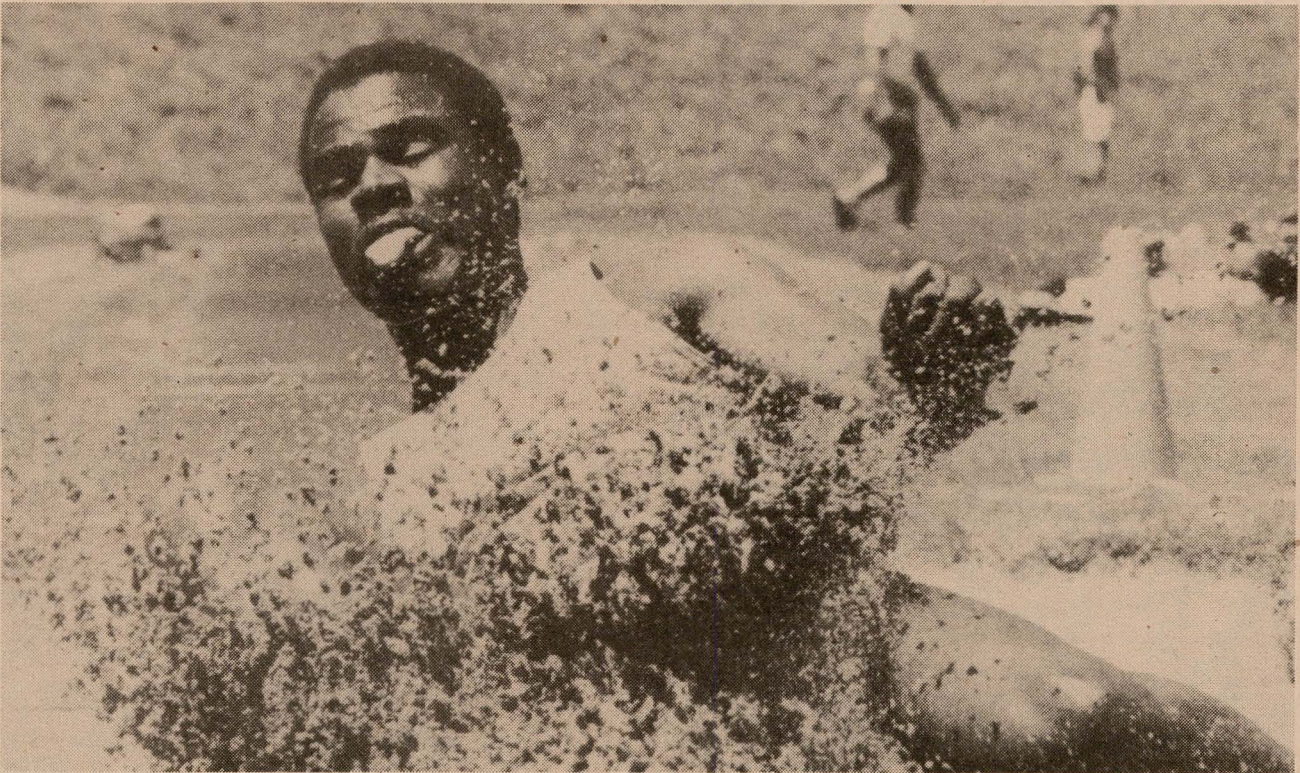
The All-Army track team extended its domination of service competition by sweeping the men's and women's titles at the Interservice Track Meet held recently at the US Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md.

The team, coached by Bob Darling of the Presidio Sports Branch, included Mary Jane Williams of Letterman who placed fifth in the women's 1500-meter run.

The annual competition features the top track and field athletes from all four services. According to Darling, who has been involved in coaching the team for several years, the Army has lost only once in the past seven meets.

The top two finishers in each of the events stayed on at Annapolis for an international meet against the Royal Air Force. Darling says that the interservice "all-star" squad easily defeated the visitors.

Some members of the team will travel to Sacramento this weekend for a nationals competition. Darling will be coaching the squad.



Efforts like this took the track team to another interservice win.

U. S. Army photo



Virgin to help kids

Saturday is the deadline for sign-up for the Labor of Love Run-a-thon being held Sunday at Golden Gate Park. Two-time World Cross Country champion and winner of the Bay to Breakers race will participate in the event. All proceeds from the event will go to help the San Francisco Recreation Center for the handicapped. For more information contact the recreation center at 665-4100.

No strike here

Totems grab first in youth league

While the major league baseball strike has idled some Bay Area teams, the Presidio's DYA sluggers kept charging with a full schedule last week.

In minor league action the Totems captured first place by defeating the Seals, 6-4, and the Padres upset the Solons, 8-0.

The Totems clubbed the Seals with three homeruns. Hillary Butler slammed two and Eric Freeman added one for the victory.

In a sixth inning surge, the Padres broke open a two-run lead scoring an additional six runs for their shutout.

The Padres were led by the hitting and pitching of Randy Jetl.

In major league action, the Phils defeated the Astros 10-5. Pitcher Robbie Newton tallied the win with relief from Freddie Koas. Bobbie Agee was awarded the game ball for his all around play and field leadership.

The Presidio Mets lost to the San Francisco Gratten Boys Club 9-4 despite a homer and heavy hitting. Richard Mead hit his second home-run of the year while Xavier DeValle collected three hits and Erin Bjorson two more in the losing effort.

Sports Shorts

Camp scheduled

A free five-week sports day camp will be held at San Francisco State University for boys and girls ages 10-18. Sponsored by the DYA office, the camp will include instruction in swimming, soccer, basketball, gymnastics, softball and volleyball. The camp will hold its sessions Monday-Friday from 12:30-4:30 p.m. beginning July 15. Application forms are available through the DYA office in bldg. 122.

New ID policy

Starting July 1, the following policy will be in effect to control issue and turn-in of athletic equipment checked out by patrons of all the gymnasiums on the Presidio:

"Personnel who are authorized issue of wearing apparel and equipment at PSF gymnasiums are required to temporarily surrender individual military identification

Approval to surrender ID cards while personnel are participating in physical/recreational activities in confined areas, such as gymnasiums, was authorized by Headquarters, FORSCOM.

Registration set

Registration for youth swimming classes will take place Monday and Tuesday at the Log Cabin Community Center from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The swim lessons start July 6 and continue for two weeks with one hour daily sessions.

Runners wanted

A team to represent the Presidio in the Corporate Cup Relays June 27-28, is being formed. Distances range from a quarter mile to 10 kilometers for the men, and from a quarter mile to five kilometers for the women.

Interested men should contact Jim Moore at ext. 5545. Women should call Linda Wettstein at ext. 5875.

Softball standings

FORT SCOTT LEAGUE

TEAM	W	L
Sixth Army	8	1
Doctors	8	1
Oakland	7	2
864th Engrs	7	2
PHS	5	4
Coast Guard	3	6
MSAD	2	7
170th MP Co	2	7
51st Engrs	2	7
MSC, LAMC	1	8

PRESIDIO LEAGUE

TEAM	W	L
LAIR No. 1	8	0
B Co, LAMC	9	1
Four Seasons	8	2
Garrison	7	3
INSCOM	4	4
504th MP Bn	3	6
Attorneys	3	6
163rd MP Co	3	7
USACC	1	9
LAIR No. 2	1	7

FORT SCOTT LEAGUE

51st Engrs, 7—Coast Guard, 0
Sixth Army, 20—MSC, LAMC, 4
Doctors, 3—Oakland, 2
MSAD, 8—170th MP Co, 6
864th Engrs, 16—170th MP Co, 5
PHS, 7—170th MP Co, 8
Oakland, 10—51st Engrs, 8
Sixth Army, 14—Coast Guard, 1
864th Engrs, 11—Doctors, 3

PRESIDIO LEAGUE

USAG, 7—504th MP Bn, 0
Attorneys, 5—INSCOM, 4
163rd MP Co, 8—USACC, 3
LAIR No. 1, 9—LAIR No. 2, 2
B Co, LAMC, 4—Four Seasons, 3
B Co, LAMC, 7—504th MP Bn, 0
Four Seasons, 25—163rd MP Co, 5
LAIR No. 1, 27—USACC, 2
INSCOM, 4—LAIR No. 2, 3
USAG, 13—Attorneys, 0
LAIR No. 1, 7—504th MP Bn, 0

Presidio News Notes



Photo of the Week

R. Scott Dewell grabbed Photo of the Week honors for this shot of the patio behind Sixth Army. Dewell's entry now goes on to face other weekly winners

Toy recalled

Presidio exchange officials are removing a potential dangerous children's toy from their shelves because of a recall by the manufacturer.

The toy, the "Jump-Y-Jack" produced by Baby World Inc., has been found to be in violation of the Federal Hazardous Substances Act. Pieces of the toy can be easily twisted off or be broken into pieces that can be swallowed by infants.

According to Ms. Sandra Bourne of the Presidio Exchange, the toy is

being removed from shelves in the Four Seasons store. Any customers who have already purchased the item may return it to the exchange for a full refund, she says.

For more information contact the exchange office at ext. 3420.

Classes offered

Summer classes in secretarial skills will be offered from Tuesday to Aug. 14 at the Army Education Center, Bldg. 1216, Fort Scott. The following classes will be offered: Military Correspondence, 7:30-8:30

a.m., Shorthand II, 8:30-9:30 a.m., and Typing I and II from 9:30-11:30 a.m. These classes are offered Tuesday through Friday, they are free of charge and are open to military, civilians and dependents. For more information or to enroll, please call ext. 2974/4445.

Music coming

The DYA is planning classes in piano and music appreciation for youths. Interested persons should contact Pam Kamatani at 387-6550 or call the DYA director at 561-5143.

Ballet available

Parents interested in registering their youngsters for ballet classes should contact Mrs. Helen Peirnik at 994-0681 between noon and 2 p.m. daily.

Info on hand

The Army Community Service has compiled information on off-post childcare, day camps, events, activities classes for children this summer. Stop by bldg. 214 for more information.

Phones

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not at the root of the problem, Patterson asked Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company (PT&T) to run a check on phone line traffic. That check, required by the Army every six months, electronically scans the lines running off post to see which lines are used and how heavily. A computer record of the test is then sent to Fort Ritchie, Md., for analysis.

A routine check in February determined that no additional phone lines were required to handle Presidio phone traffic. The latest check, moved ahead of schedule by Patterson, was completed just last week. The data is now being analyzed at

Fort Ritchie and Patterson says that he may get the go ahead for the leasing of additional phone lines as early as next week.

As a long term solution to the phone traffic problem, Patterson is aggressively pursuing negotiations with PT&T to turn residential Class B phones on main post and Forts Barry, Baker and Cronkhite over to regular PT&T service.

Although no estimate is available as to when those talks will be completed, Patterson says that it will take 18 months after that to complete the change. The changeover will mean that one-fourth of the load on the off post lines will be cut and

that unofficial residence service will no longer compete with official calls for the off-post lines.

While saying that his directorate is taking all the steps that they can to alleviate the problem, Patterson stresses that Presidio phone users must become part of the solution to the phone traffic jam.

"The corrective action," Patterson says, "is not my raising my hand and saying, 'Let it be so.' We are operating under monetary and equipment restraints while trying to provide the very best possible communications service."

"However," he continues, "I get

the feeling that a number of people are using office phones for unofficial calls off-post to any number of places. I don't know if they are calling their bankers or their bookies, but it is ironic that the peak period for local calls coincides with the hours of off-post businesses. There are abuses of the system and I can't control that. It is up to each command to police that up themselves."

Because of the telephone problems, a number of enforcement actions are being stepped up to catch telephone abusers. Patterson cites a case of one Presidio soldier who recently was charged for \$400 worth of illegal calls and faces disciplinary action.

Police search for rapist, issue warning

Military and civilian police are searching for a local rapist who recently added one post resident to his list of victims.

Although no details of the attack on the Presidio resident were released, Maj. Charles Taylor, deputy provost marshal, says that the so called "Want Ad Rapist" is still at large in the Bay Area.

Taylor says that the rapist uses newspaper want ads to find his victims. The man searches the paper, calls his victim and sets up an appointment to look at the items for sale. If he arrives and finds his potential victim alone, he then attacks them.

"We are very concerned about the problem and want to insure every family is aware that it exists," says Taylor, who has just recently

assumed his duties on the Presidio. "If a person or family does advertise an item for sale, we hope they'll take steps to insure they don't become the unintentional target of a criminal."

Among suggestions offered by the MP's are:

- Don't use an address in an advertisement. List a telephone number only.
- When a person calls about an ad, be sure to get a name and, if possible, a telephone number.
- Try not to schedule appointments to see your sale item(s) after dark.
- Never allow a potential "buyer" to come to your home while you're alone. Always have

another adult family member or friend there with you.

• Check the "buyer" out before you open the door. If they act suspiciously, don't let them in your home.

• Always leave the door to your home open while being visited by a "buyer." Make sure your neighbors know what you're doing, just in case trouble does occur.

Taylor emphasizes that his police officers will do everything in their power to protect Presidians against criminal acts. However, he also points out that exercising some basic precautions will go a long way in preventing crime from touching homes on the Presidio.

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In the pits

Workers take a break during work to fill in a hole at Fort Point. The hole was a result of a leak in the seawall. Traffic should be back to normal this weekend. (See page 4)

More lines soon

Relief is coming for Presidio's phone troubles

A 13 percent increase in the number of off-post telephone lines may mean relief for Presidians who have been caught in a telephone "traffic jam" for several weeks.

According to Maj. Phillip Patterson, chief of the Directorate for Communications and Electronics, (DCE), the Presidio received the go ahead Friday afternoon for the leasing of 11 additional lines to alleviate the congested phone traffic off post.

Patterson explains that the approval for the extra lines came after the 7th Signal Command at Fort Ritchie, Md., analyzed an electronic check of phone line use two weeks ago. That check confirmed the need for extra lines.

In order to make room for the new lines, Patterson says that some pay telephones on post will be disconnected.

He points to the area around the cafeteria and post office—where five telephones are currently standing—one place as a good example of where some phones could be turned off while leaving others to handle pay telephone customers.

"I can stand there on Lincoln Blvd.," Patterson says, "and throw a rock in any direction and hit a pay phone. When we cut the pay telephones, we won't be eliminating service, only making it more efficient."

The extra lines are only one measure that DCE is taking to meet the increased demand for off post lines which Patterson says reached a "critical" point in May.

He is expecting a 7th Signal Command engineer to arrive at the Presidio sometime next week to begin a further analysis of the post's phone system.

Refunds for parking fees

Presidio drivers who paid to park will soon be able to apply for refunds for the fees they were charged.

According to SFC Eugene Mitchell of the Headquarters Commandant's office, the Presidio was notified Monday that they will be one of 33 Army installations which will be receiving refund application forms for the fees paid in from November 1979 to March 1981.

The pay parking program began under the Carter administration as an energy conservation measure to encourage drivers to carpool. It was suspended in March after a federal judge ruled that the fees were illegal.

Although the commandant's office should have the forms available soon, no refunds will be paid unless the US Court of Appeals upholds the earlier ruling that the fees were illegal.

Free wheelin' crime on the rise

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Where there's smoke...



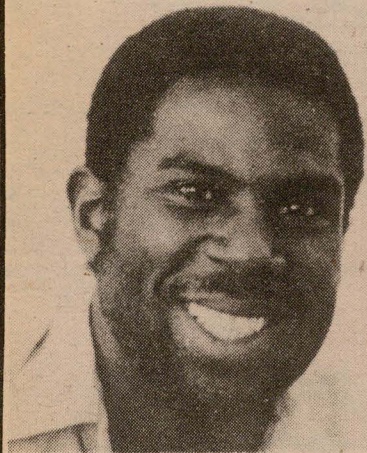
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Reservists give Camp Parks a face lift

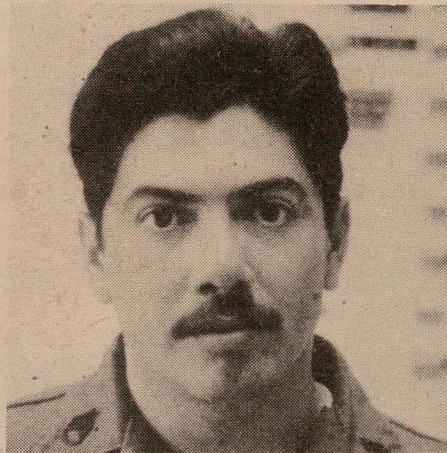
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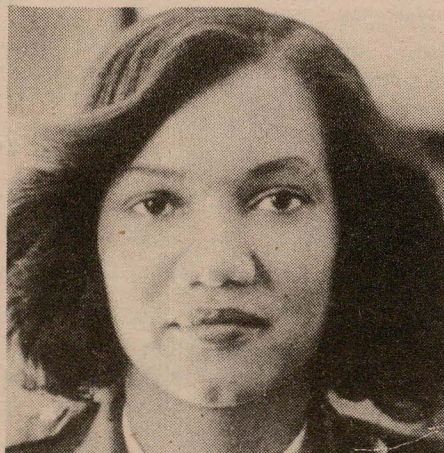
Ramblin' Sam What Army regulation bothers you most?



Pvt. Tony Moore, Post Locator—"AR 210-65, the regulation which governs enlisted personnel having alcohol in the barracks. This reg is unfair to the permanent party personnel. The barracks is supposed to be considered our home, at least while we are here in San Francisco. Well there're times when I'd like to consume a shot or two, and don't feel like leaving what's considered my home to do so. I don't consider my home to do so. I don't understand why I should have to go from Fort Scott to the Enlisted Club or any club for that matter when I wish to have a drink."



SSgt. Robert Valle, USAG—"AR 600-20, the Equal Opportunity regulation governing fraternization. It's almost everyday you find officers and privates dating. The reg is not clearly defined. We all know that love and sex has no barriers. If it's going to happen, it's going to happen. There is no stopping nature. The reg is just a bunch of baloney."



1st Lt. Tamar Harris, JAG—"Uniform Code of Military Justice, summary court martial in particular. The process should be either eliminated or a legal officer or military judge be allowed to make the guilty or not guilty decision because of their expertise and training. A summary court martial conviction is a federal offense that stays on your record for life. At present any military officer, alone in a summary case, determines whether or not the accused is convicted. Just any officer isn't capable of making the decision that affects an individual for life."



Sgt. Michael Vargo, COM-PACT—"AR 600-200, chapter 7, pages 7-8, the Army system of promotions. Upon being selected for promotion from E-5 to E-6, promotion points are calculated. The points are gathered only twice a year or every six months. If a person misses his cut-off score in the month of the recomp, and obtains the points the following month, he would have to wait five additional months for the next recomp. Once the next recomp verifies that the service member meets his cut-off scores, he then has to wait another 90 days after the month of the recomp to be promoted."

Commentary

It's time to rise and shine

She turned towards me, her lips parting in a sultry smile. Her hand reached out to mine. She spoke softly.

"It's 4:30 a.m., time to get out of bed."

"What?????" I said as I sat up in my darkened bedroom. Again, that soft, feminine voice caressed my ears.

"It's 4:30 a.m., time to get out of bed."

Then I remembered that new audio alarm clock which had been the highlight of my recent birthday. It's what every man needs to drive him right out of his tree—an alarm clock with a "10" voice!

"It's 4:35 a.m. and you must get up!" The electronic voice got a bit more nagging. I pushed the "off" button, thinking that perhaps there was some small satisfaction in being able to shut "her" up with a switch.

I've done some research and discovered the Army is considering adding these audio alarms to its inventory. They come in both male and female voices, with a variety of messages. The plant which produces these is located in a remote part of Marin County (it figures) and it took a great deal of effort to gain entry. Nevertheless, exclusively for you, here are examples of custom audio alarm clocks with personalized

messages which you might be facing in the near future:

Staff judge advocates: "Objection overruled! Get out of bed and proceed with your day!"

Department of the Army civilians: "Yes it is in your job description... Now out of that bed!"

Army Privates: "You have five seconds to have both feet on the floor and your tail in gear or you'll be painting every rock on this post for the next week! Now QuicklyQuickly-Quickly!!!"

Finance and Accounting officers: "Give a little, get a lot... It's time to get out of bed and make them work for it!"

Engineers: "It's the right time and exactly the right temperature to pave your way to another constructive day."

General officers: "Your staff has carefully considered the problem and recommends you elect to arise from your bed at this time."

Army doctors: "The multitudes await your healing hand plus a second option confirms the diagnosis... It's time to get up."

Adjutants: "Under the provisions of and in accordance with prescribed

regulatory doctrine, you are authorized to awaken from slumber."

Military policemen: "This is the city. You're on day watch. Time to get up and take charge of that rowdy bunch out there!" (The theme from "Dagnet" is optional.)

First sergeants: "Awww, come on Top... your people really do love you and know you're only doing your job. It's time to get out of the rack and put it to them!"

Court overrules Reserve employee

The Supreme Court has ruled that employers have no obligation to rearrange work schedules for Reserve and National Guard workers to allow them to make up time off for training.

In a 5-4 decision June 17, the court ruled that employers need not allow reservists to make up wages lost because of military training. It affirmed, however, the safeguard that reservists cannot be denied promotions, discharged or discriminated against because of reserve component service.

The inference for reservists and national guardsmen, is that the rearranging of work schedules depends on the good will of one's employer according to Army officials. The ruling doesn't prevent the employer from allowing a reservist to make up lost time and pay, they say.

The legal action centered on the Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Act of 1974, which in part provides that employers can not discriminate against reservists because of absences incident to their military obligation.

EOD personnel: "Tick... tick... tick... tick... tick... tick..."

Army journalists: "Yes... it's a dirty job, but somebody has to do it. Now get up and see how many readers you can upset today!"

Army lieutenants: "Good morning sleepy head. Did you have a nice sleep? Now, let's put down teddy and see if we can remember how to take our 'jammies off and brush our teeth..."

The case in question, "Monroe versus Standard Oil of Ohio," was filed when Roger D. Monroe sued his employer, Standard Oil of Ohio, for wages lost while attending weekend training.

Speaking for the court majority, Justice Potter Stewart said that Congress did not intend for the act to give reservists special privileges. Stewart said there is nothing in the law to indicate that employers have an obligation to provide special work scheduling preference for reservists.

The dissenters, led by Chief Justice Warren Burger, said that the clear purpose of the act was to encourage participation in the ready reserve and national guard. In Burger's view, the purpose of the act "is severely frustrated" if employers can deprive reservists of the opportunity for full-time work if they are absent because of the need to attend military training.

The decision establishes a precedent for 66 similar cases pending in federal courts or under investigation. About 830,000 reservists from all services are potentially affected by the ruling, according to government officials.

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Heat wave hikes post water bill

by Bill Craig

Unusually high temperatures around the Bay Area this week have resulted in serious water problems for post residents.

Water usage doubled on the Presidio during the latter part of the week and residents of Fort Baker and Chronkite were without water for several hours on Saturday.

Edward Crane, deputy director of the facilities engineers (DFE) terms the situation serious but adds, "the problem we are experiencing at the present time is not due to an overall shortage of water."

Lobos Creek, which is the primary source of water for the post, has the capacity to produce two million gallons of water per day, according to DFE officials. When demand outstrips daily production, however, additional water is purchased from the city at a cost of \$1000 per million gallons.

Crane reports that over the peak days of the heat wave it has been costing the post approximately \$2000 a day to meet the need for additional water. He indicates that water rationing is not being considered as an alternative at the present time, although brief outages could occur if equipment should malfunction.

Such a malfunction occurred on Saturday at the pumping station which serves residents of Fort Baker and Chronkite. Water for those areas is supplied by Marin County. When water pressure drops in the lines from Marin, the pumping facility at

Alexander and Baker Roads automatically increases the pressure and the water is then pumped into the reservoir in Fort Baker.

Crane states "on Saturday, the pressure from Marin became extremely low and the pumps were working so hard that they overheated." The problem was resolved in a short time and engineers restored water service to the affected areas within a few hours.

Although water rationing is not being considered, Crane warns that a long, hot summer could result in a "usage curtailment program," similar to the one employed during the drought which hit this area four years ago.

He adds, "Even if we find ourselves in the position we were in four years ago, there would be no rationing. If things get really bad we will possibly curtail such uses as car washing and lawn watering but not uses related to health and hygiene."

In a heat related incident, three soldiers were overcome by heat exhaustion while on training duty at the Rio Vista Training Center. One was taken to the base hospital at Travis Air Force Base where he was treated and released.

Army Nurse, Lt. Col. Geraldyn Ray of the Rio Vista facility, noted that the men had been working in heat for several days. She said that, though proper precautions had been taken, it seemed that the prolonged exposure had a cumulative effect. All three are now said to be fully recovered.



Some spelled relief b-e-a-c-h.

photo by John Green

Post firemen battle carelessness of others

Presidio fire officials are issuing stern fire safety warnings to post residents as the Presidio waits out a period of "extreme fire danger" brought on by the recent heat spell.

The warnings were issued after post firefighters raced to several post locations last week to battle fires started intentionally or through simple carelessness.

On Friday, the firemen raced to Pershing Park after one resident started a blaze at his quarters to clear the area of weeds.

In an unrelated incident, the department also was called to the area around the post's old horse stables to put out a fire started for the same reasons.

The Waring Housing Area was also the site of a fire which was started by two juveniles who were playing with matches.

"People just aren't using common sense when it comes to open fires," Williams says. "They start out to clear unwanted brush and grass by

burning it and end up with a bush fire which endangers buildings, people and plant life."

"On post residents have been asked to clean up the area around their quarters," he continues, "but using a fire is too dangerous this time of year."

A 14-year veteran of the fire department, Williams says, "I haven't seen conditions like this for 10 or 12 years."

In addition to the heat wave and dry conditions, Williams notes that

brush fires in surrounding communities have taxed local firefighters to the limit. If a brush fire got out of control, he says that it could lead to serious problems.

Adding to the seasonal dangers, Williams points out that the Fourth of July holiday and the use of firecrackers compounds the hazards of fires breaking out. Firecrackers were blamed for recent brush fires in Novato and Williams says that every year his department sees an increase in calls during the holiday period.



photo by John Green

What Army is he from?

Members of the 91st Division's bagpipe band pass in review during recent retirement ceremonies for Maj. Gen. Charles Sniffin of Sixth Army. Sniffin retired after a 38 year career.

Bike thefts increase Suspects in custody

Two civilian juveniles are in custody and two ten-speed bicycles are still missing in unrelated bike theft incidents that have occurred on post recently.

The theft of two custom bicycles from a post baseball field in March, and the two bikes stolen from a Letterman Army Medical Center bike rack earlier this month are examples of a "free wheelin" crime increase, according to Military police officials.

Two civilian juveniles, ages 14 and 16, are being charged by San Francisco juvenile authorities, after a lengthy investigation by Sixth Region Criminal Investigation Division agents into the theft of the two custom bicycles.

The theft of the bicycles, valued at approximately \$500 each, occurred March 21 at Pop Hicks Field. It was witnessed by several people whose statements provided CID investigators with composite drawings of the

people believed to be responsible for the thefts.

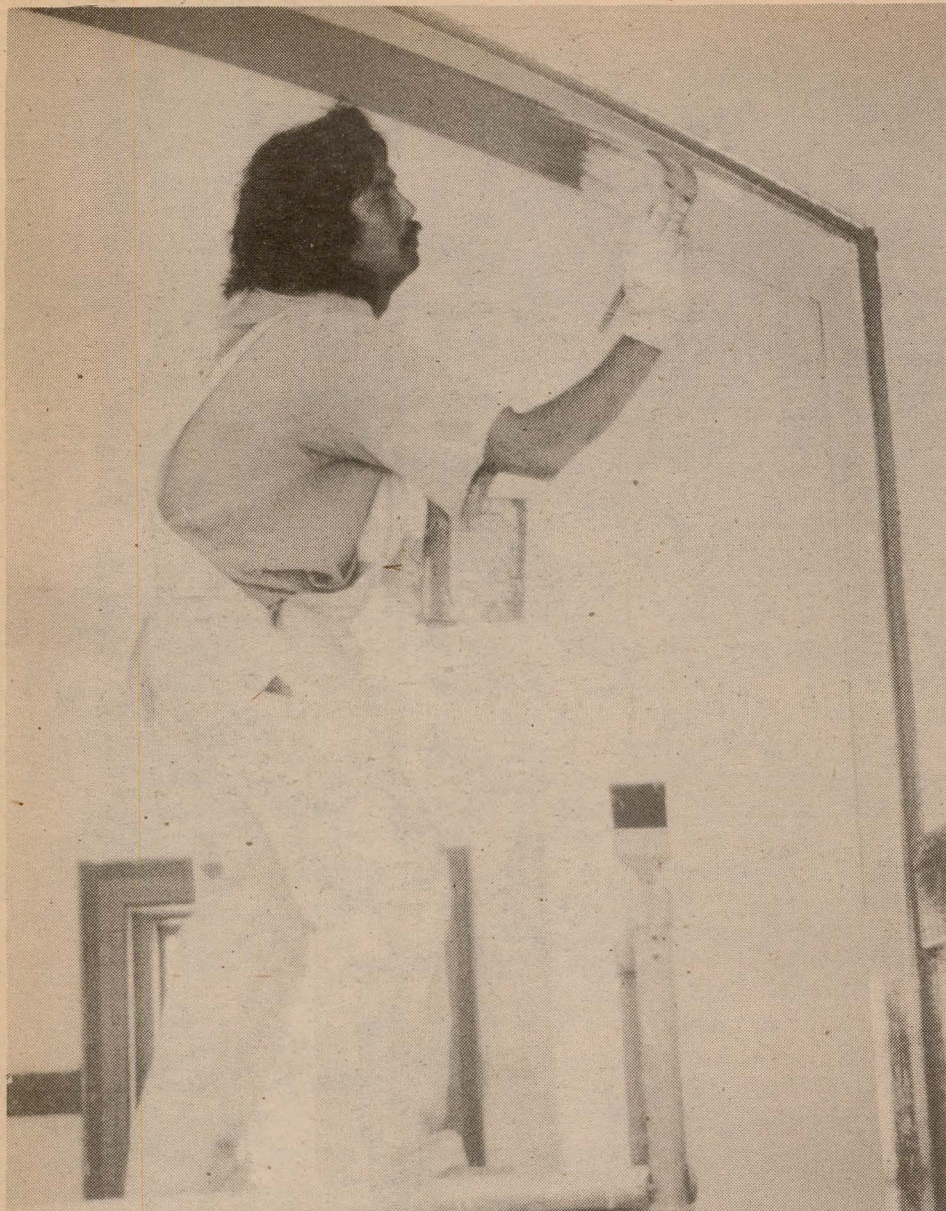
CID officials along with representatives from the San Francisco Police Department, took the drawings to several area schools in hopes of identifying the thieves.

The investigation resulted not only in the arrest of the two juveniles but also in the return of the bikes.

The recent theft of two 10-speed bicycles from a LAMC bike rack just hours apart is more evidence of the rise in bicycle thefts, say MP investigators. The bikes, valued at approximately \$200 each, were stolen from the bicycle rack where they had been secured.

The thieves also took the locks and the military police are still investigating.

The thefts bring the total number of bicycles stolen on post this year to 19.



Bill Orlando paints the new exhibit home.

Photo by Tim Dewar

Museum to open Fort Point exhibit

by Tim Dewar

Restoration is almost complete in five rooms at Fort Point to provide additional display space for the Presidio Army Museum.

The new Fort Point room's first exhibit, which opens 1 p.m., Saturday, will be the "Ready and Forward" story of the 9th Calvary Division.

This exhibit shows the history of Black American soldiers. "It's the first of its kind anywhere," says Presidio Army Museum Curator Eric Saul.

The exhibit was first shown at the Presidio museum in February 1980, but had to be taken down to make room for the Japanese-American 'Go For Broke' exhibit," Saul says.

It will feature a model of the sleeping rooms of the 9th Calvary soldiers, a division of Black soldiers housed at Fort Point on their way to the Spanish-American War. "More than 110 photographs and documents help tell the story," Saul explains.

The exhibit will run for one year or more." After that the space will be available for other exhibits that we don't have room for," he added.

The restoration, designed by Saul and his assistant Kim Combs, will

add an additional 4500 feet of display space to the museum's capability.

"The reason for the project," Saul states, "is to have an area to display exhibits that might have already run at the Presidio museum, or just an exhibit we don't have room for."

"The location is ideal," he continues, "because our museum gets only 120,000 visitors each year, Fort Point gets 800,000. The number of additional people we can reach will make it well worth it. It's like getting a whole museum free."

The work is expected to take an estimated three weeks and should be completed by Saturday's opening and that includes restoring the rooms and installing the exhibit," Saul says.

The restoration work is being done by Saul, Combs and many other volunteers. The rooms are being repainted in the exact color scheme used in the rooms when they were used as officers quarters in 1861.

The rooms first had to be scraped to remove the old plaster and paint. The plaster hasn't been replaced in 50 or 60 years," Saul states. "A special primer is also being used under the new paint and we had the engineers mill us special trim and baseboards, also designed after the originals."

Reservists give Camp Parks a facelift

by Nestor Tamayao

When Camp Parks became Parks Reserve Forces Training Area in December, the job of turning it into a first-class training site for the Bay Area's 11,000 reservists fell on both active Army and Army Reserve engineer units.

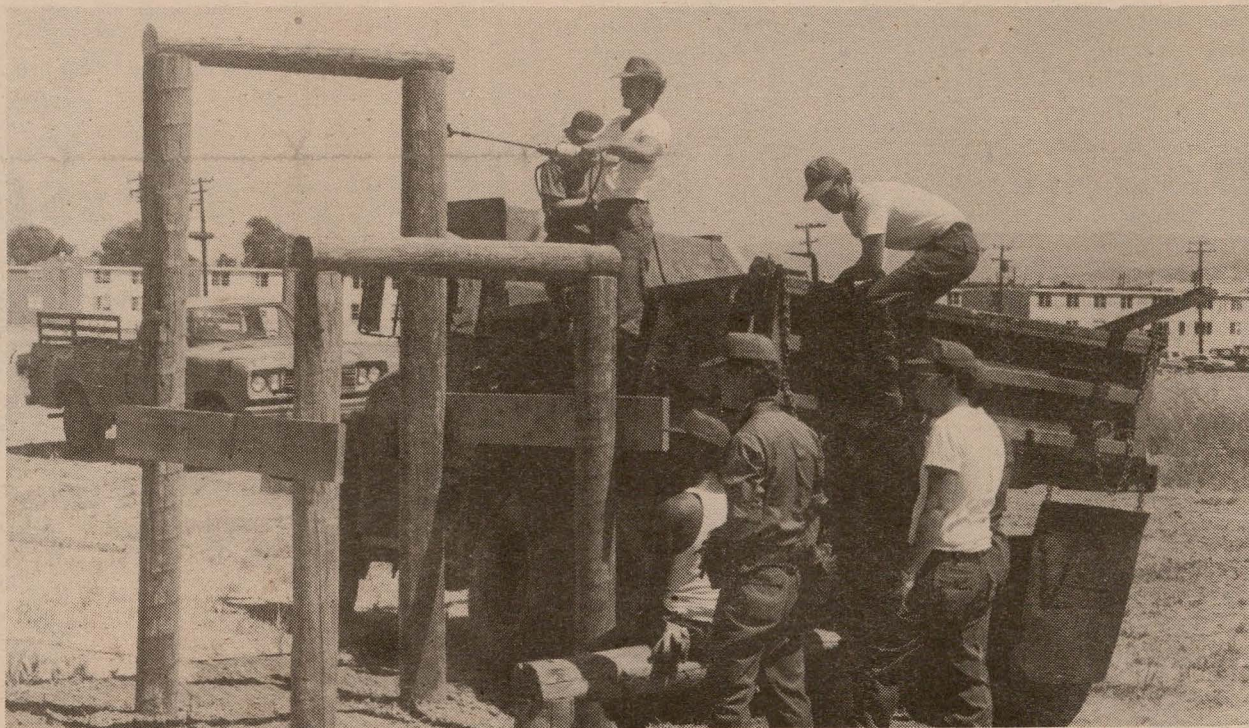
The first construction work began in February when 55 reservists of the 793rd Engineer Detachment from Minot, N.D., spent their two-week annual training completing a number of repair projects and doing major renovational work on the old delapidated WW II barracks.

Active duty members from D Company, 864th Engineers Battalion, from the Presidio, took over from the 793rd and began construction of the M-16 rifle range.

While some members of the 864th continue to work projects at Parks, the majority of construction work has been handed over to the 334 members of the 820th Engineer Battalion from San Pablo, Calif.

According to the unit's commander, Lt. Col. Richard Sperling, the project has been "fantastic." He says, "This is a dynamic hands-on project for which my people have shown a tremendous amount of enthusiasm."

Projects for the battalion's summer camp, which started June 13, include the construction of the M-16 rifle range with eight firing positions and control tower, a prisoner of war camp and guard tower, a .45 caliber range, a chamber for nuclear, biological, chemical (NBC) training, a



Reservists work on an obstacle course.

U. S. Army photo

confidence course, lineman's course and a demolition course.

The heat consistently exceeds 90 degrees and NCOs regularly order water and shade breaks to avoid heat related medical problems.

Capt. Bryan Golden, battalion operations officer, says the projects also enhance training for combat readiness. Using the tools contained in a pioneer tool set as well as other organic equipment gives "hands-on" training needed by the combat engineer, he says.

Engineers fix hole at Fort Point

Normal traffic flow is expected to be restored at Fort Point this weekend after the largest washout in the road's history occurred June 14. The washout on the Fort's access road, Marine Drive, is 80 feet long, 12 feet wide and 18 feet deep and is expected to be repaired by Wednesday, according to 864th Engineer Battalion Construction Officer, 1st Lt. Nathan Barton.

While high tide conditions and a lack of fill material for the hole have delayed work on the road, Barton says, most of the work is completed except for resurfacing.

Since Marine Drive is the only automobile access to Fort Point, the washout has interrupted traffic and has forced many people to walk to the museum from the ranger station where parking is limited.

The washout, according to Barton, was caused by two holes in the seawall. "The holes," Barton explains, "are located where the water hits the seawall the hardest and they allowed the water to get under the road and carry away the fill."

This left a hole under the road, causing it to collapse. There is another spot in the wall that could become a problem," he continues. "It might not go for a 100 years, but it is going to go."

The solution to the washout problem, Barton feels, would be to construct a breakwall to stop the force of the waves.

"The Park Service is presently doing a study to determine if a breakwall would be advisable," Barton notes. "A breakwall would stop the

force of the water before it hits the road, and the water would just roll up. real easy."

One Park Service official estimated that the cost of permanent repairs to the seawall could run as high as \$200,000.

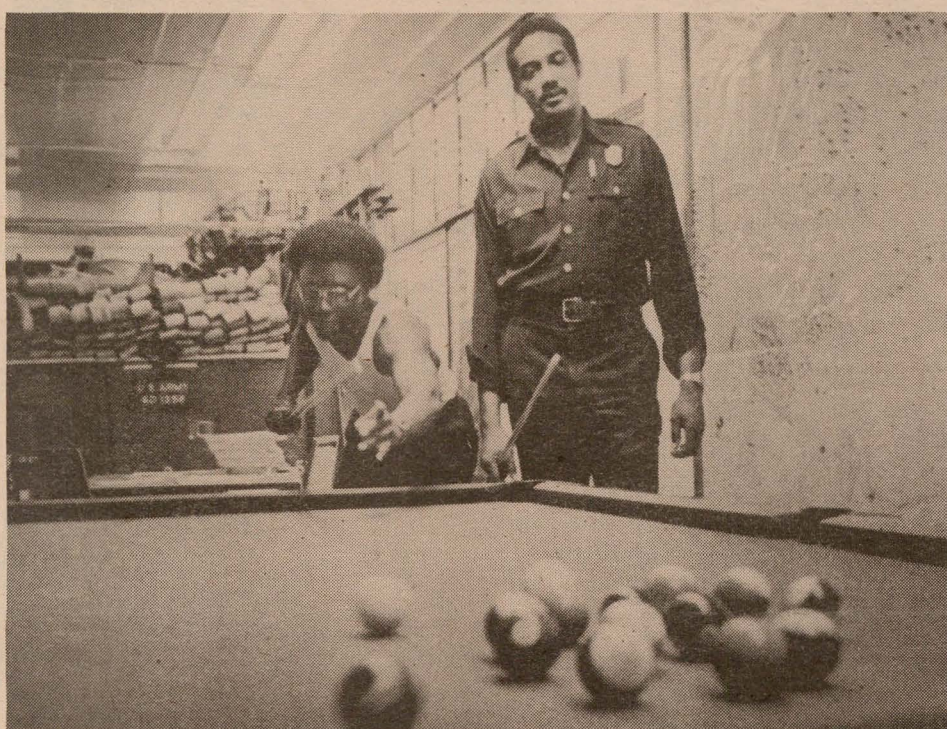
Repair work was started Tuesday by members of the 864th Engineers Bn., 51st Engineer Detachment, as well as the 801st and 820th Engineers, both Reserve units on annual training.

The 421st Transportation provided a landing craft to assist the work.

All of the units participated in what Barton calls "an example of total force effectiveness. It was also very good training for the units and a lesson in organizing a large number of people on a single project," he adds.



Firefighters face a recent brush fire on post.



Barry Reed and Glenn Alston pass time.

Where there's smoke...

Story and photos by Jon Chelgren

The ringing bell sends feet shuffling to trucks as practiced hands grab coats and helmets.

The bell, the men and equipment come from a scene repeated daily as the Presidio Fire Department responds to a call.

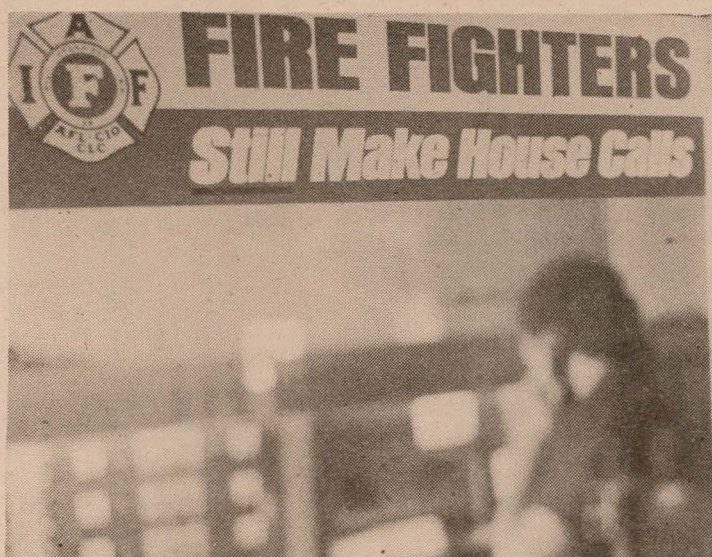
Those calls may range from helping a car accident victim cling to life until an ambulance arrives to dousing brush and building fires.

According to Fire Chief Bill

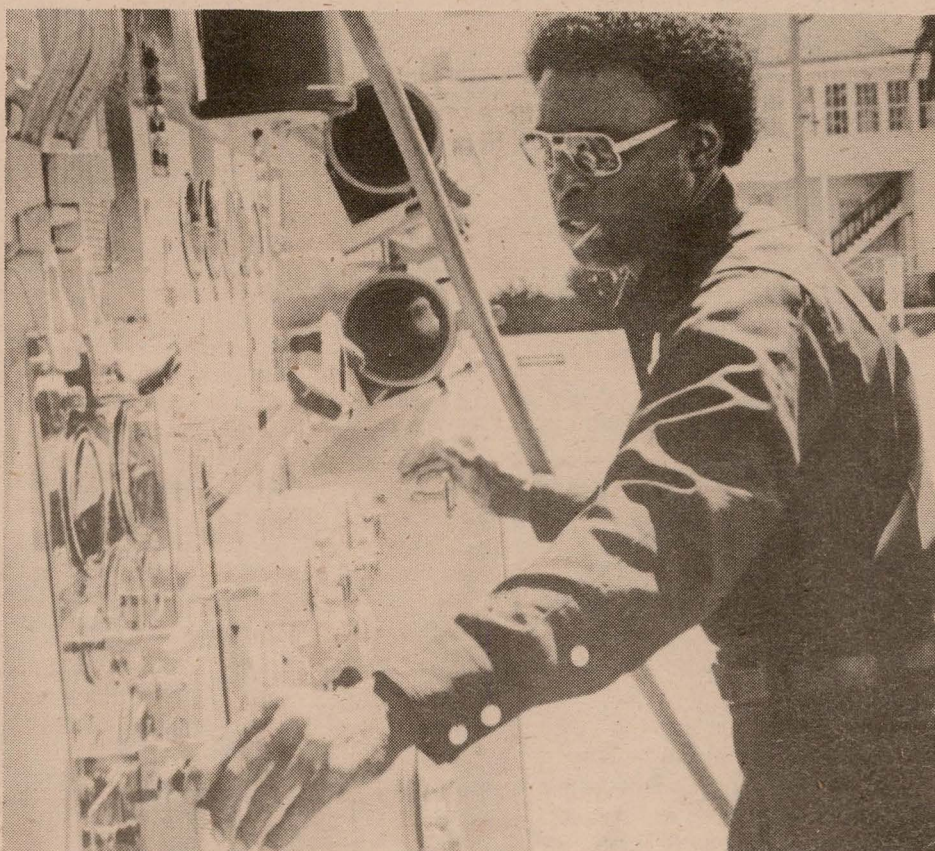
Williams, the Presidio Fire Department is unique in that on such a small post his crews are faced with virtually every facet of firefighting work. He points out that his department guards not only housing areas on post but also the Letterman Hospital and Research complex. The dangers presented by each is as varied as the territory. The Department also has responsibility for cliff rescues, and routinely responds to requests for emergency medical treatment at the scene of accidents.



Stanley Williams rushes to a call.



A sign reflects feelings of pride.



Reed checks a water pump.

Time to spare

Variety of activities available

Playground music for children is presented at many recreation centers in the San Francisco area sponsored by the cities.

These programs may consist of action songs, folk songs, and rhythms for primary school children.

Classes in ukulele, soprano recorder and folk guitar are offered at a number of centers either free of charge or for a small fee.

Musical activities for adults include the Recreation Symphony Orchestra, Big Band Workshop, Tillmany Rehearsal Orchestra, Recreation Chorus, Opera Workshop and the Dance Band Workshop.

The Recreation Music Advisory Committee, in cooperation with the Music Division, offers classes in beginning and intermediate folk guitar and other activities for adults and teens, 16 years and older.

A normal fee is charged for these sessions, for further information call the Music Division at 558-4277.

Canoe Trip on the Russian River—Saturday, July 18, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Price of \$15 includes bus transportation to and from Recreation Center, canoe, paddle, life jackets, wine-tasting tour to the historic Italian Swiss Colony Winery and chicken barbecue dinner. Please sign up by Tuesday.

Auto Craft—You can do it yourself at the Auto Shop, Bldg. 622. Change the oil or tires on your car. You can learn how to tune the engine of your car and make other minor repairs. The mechanics instruct and assist whenever needed. Shop is open Tuesday from 5-10 p.m., Wednesday through Friday, 2-11 p.m., and Sat. 9-4 p.m.

Photo Buffs are welcome to visit the Photo Lab which is open on a part-time basis temporarily on the following days:

Tues and Wed 2-10 p.m.
Saturday 9-5 p.m.
Thur/Fri/Sun/Mon CLOSED

Get ready to enter the upcoming All Army Photo Contest. Come by for further information.

ITT NEWS

Tickets now available and for sale:

Great America \$8.50 Reg. \$11.95
Marine World \$6.75 & \$4.75 Reg. \$8.95 & \$5.95

Disneyland "Salutes the Military" \$7.50

Reno Hospitality Pack \$2.25

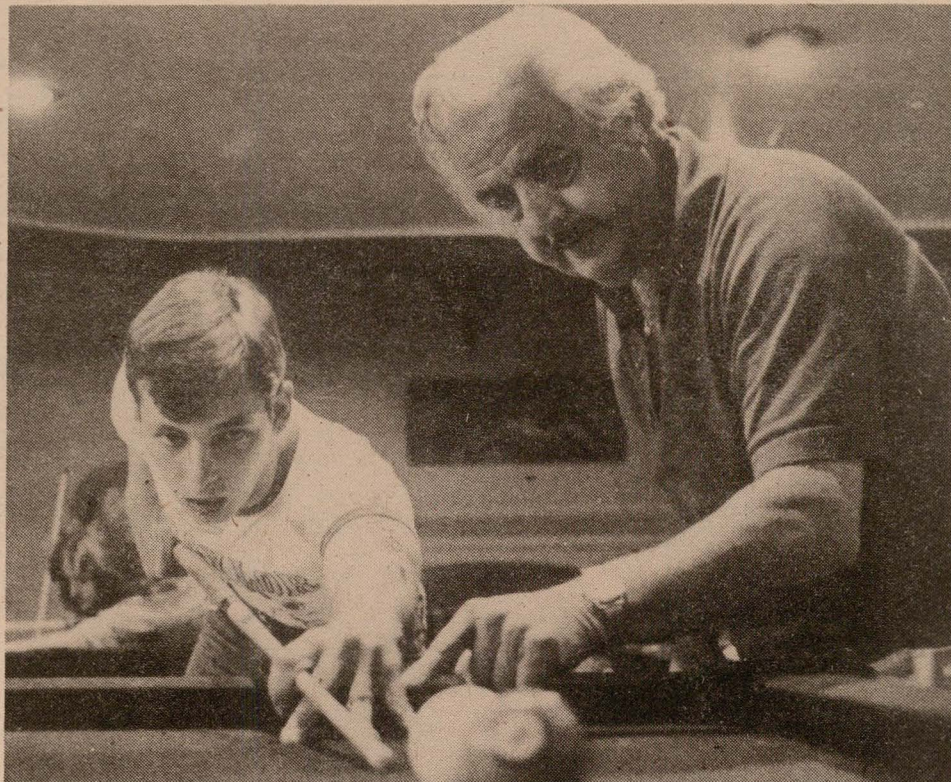
Diners Out Books (2 for 1) \$16.00 Reg. \$22.00

Lion Country Safari tickets (In Irvine, CA) Adults \$4.25, Reg. \$5.95, Child \$2.75, Reg. \$3.75

For additional information concerning activities please call ext. 2000. Ticket sales and distribution of discount coupons are available after 4 p.m.

More than 6,000 rare and familiar plants in seasonal bloom, home demonstration gardens and many tree species are located in the Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens at South Drive near Ninth Avenue and Lincoln Way in Golden Gate Park.

The Arboretum is open 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Mondays through Fridays, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekends and holidays.



Pool classes are only one offering at the Rec Center.

Photo by Jon Chelgren

At the movies

Presidio Theater

June 25	Eye Witness (R)	7 p.m.
June 26	Eye Witness (R)	7 p.m.
June 27	Alice In Wonderland (G)	2 p.m.
June 27	Alice In Wonderland (G)	7 p.m.
June 28	The Howling (R)	7 p.m.
June 29	The Howling (R)	7 p.m.
June 30	The Blues Brothers (R)	7 p.m.
July 1	The Man With Bogart's Face (PG)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

June 25	Melvin and Howard (R)	7 p.m.
June 26	Special Edition Close Encounters (PG)	7 p.m.
June 29	Eye Witness (R)	7 p.m.
June 30	Alice In Wonderland (G)	7 p.m.
July 1	The Howling (R)	7 p.m.

Presidio News Notes



Home wanted

Looking for a roommate? This one year-old male cat sure is. According to its owner, the cat is well-behaved, five pounds and cuddly. For more information call Sp5 Byrne at ext. 2110/2150.

Celebration

In recognition of African Awareness Week, the United Nations Association of San Francisco and other organizations are co-sponsoring an opportunity for the public to learn more about the continent of Africa and its significance in our global society.

The opening ceremonies began at City Hall Monday with a proclamation on African awareness week by Mayor Diane Feinstein and an address by Ayo A. Ajakaiye, the Nigerian consul general.

In addition to the ceremonies, African folk songs were performed by children from the New Traditions School of San Francisco and an African art exhibit opened.

Events still remaining include: the San Francisco Art Commission will present an African Art Exhibit at City Hall in the Van Ness lobby.

Tonight, 7 p.m.—the Coalition of Black Trade Unionists is sponsoring the film, "South African Freedom Charter," with speakers David Ndaba of the African National Congress and Wes Young the Vice President of the National Alliance of Postal and Federal Employees.

Tomorrow at noon—In City Hall Rotund, the African Culture Program begins. The program will consist of African dance and poetry by "Wajumbe," a group founded and directed by Delores Cayou of San Francisco State University.

At 1:30 p.m.—Films on African family life will be shown at Nourse and Hayes Auditoriums on Franklin St.

Awareness

At 7:30 p.m.—The Political and Social Awareness Forum gets underway. The speakers will be Randall Robinson, executive director of TransAfrica, Dr. Lewis Gann, senior fellow of the Hoover Institution, and Canon R. Powell, director of the African Office and Church World Service.

Upon the close of the political and social awareness forum, there will be a reception in the lobby.

Creative Cottage

The Creative Cottage, Bldg. 558, will be closed the month of July. It will reopen Aug. 11. Hours will remain the same: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 11 a.m.-3:30 p.m., and the first Saturday of every month, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Soldiers, dependents and civilians working on Presidio are urged to bring in their original handmade items for the fall season.

Headstart class

Korean headstart classes will be offered from July 7 to Sept. 10 at the Education Center, bldg. 1216 at Fort Scott. The class will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6-8 p.m. The class is free of charge to all military personnel, dependents, and civilians on orders or alerted for duty in Korea. For more information or to enroll, call ext. 2974/4445.

Bowling note

The Bowling Center will be closed until 5 p.m. on July 3 and closed all day July 4. The center will reopen as usual July 5. With the arrival of a new assistant manager, the center will again be open seven days a week except holidays.

Dance class

Dance exercise classes will be offered at the post gym No. 1, starting Monday. The classes will be held in five separate groups.

For twelve one-hour lessons, the cost is \$30, while eight one-hour lessons cost \$20. For additional information call the Sports Branch at ext. 4120/5032.

Books

The Helen Crocker Russell Library of the Strybing Arboretum Society is open to the public 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily, except City holidays, and has about 7,000 volumes dealing with flowers, shrubs, plants and trees.

Sports

Pool helps handicapped kids

by Charlie Taylor

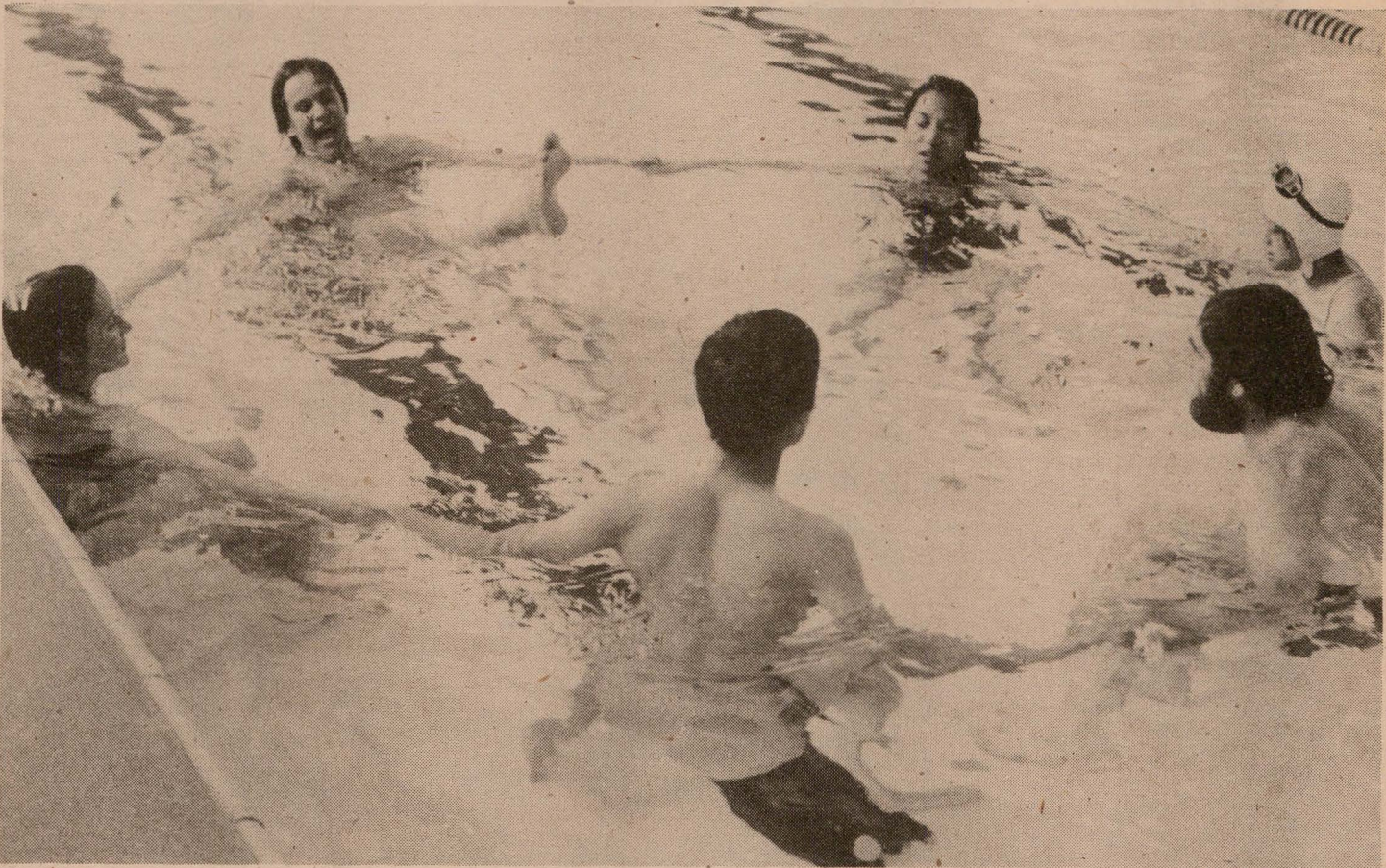
While people starting to flock to area beaches to beat the heat, at least 12 area children have been relying on the Presidio pool for some time.

The children from the California League for the Handicapped have been using the post swimming pool since May as a means of recreation.

Each Saturday the children with certified instructors and league recreation coordinator Rod Corbett, come to the pool for one-hour sessions.

The kids, whose ages range from 8 to 14, include the totally blind and visually impaired as well as the physically handicapped. Their instruction is primarily focused on water adjustment, proper breathing in and out of the water and a few basic body movement technics.

Although the children haven't learned any swimming strokes yet, they've progressed rather well, according to Corbett. "There's one guy in particular whose parents have been trying to get him involved in swimming at his school for quite a while and each time he would refuse. Well at the Presidio pool, we had no problem getting him involved. In



Corbett leads kids in water exercises.

U. S. Army photo

fact, he now looks forward to going to the school district pool as often as possible," he says.

According to Corbett, the league was attracted to the Presidio pool because of its location and pool temperature. "Because of the sensitivity

of the children, we had to find a pool with a temperature over 80 degrees."

Teaching the handicapped to swim is only one of the many hundreds of things the league does throughout the year. There are a variety of classes, tours, and projects organized

by the League faculty.

The League is a private, non-profit, tax-exempt agency founded in 1961 to help handicapped children and adults, including the integration into the mainstream of community life.



Photo by Bill Craig

Soccer camp set

A soccer camp will be conducted at Paul Goode Field July 6-10. The camp is open to both boys and girls of all ages and will feature licensed instructors. Call ext. 2002 for more information.

Softball Standings

PRESIDIO LEAGUE

Team	W	L
LAIR No. 1	10	0
B Co, LAMC	11	1
Four Seasons	9	3
Garrison	9	3
INSCOM	6	5
Attorneys	4	7
LAIR No. 2	2	10
USACC	1	11
504th MP Bn	Dropped	
163rd MP Co	Dropped	

FORT SCOTT LEAGUE

Team	W	L
Doctors	10	1
Sixty Army	10	1
Oakland	8	3
864th Engrs	8	3
PHS	6	5
Coast Guard	4	7
170th MP Co	4	7
MSAD	2	9
51st Engrs	2	9
MSC, LAMC	1	10

Seals clobber Solons, Astros nip Tigers

by Karl Gaffney

In the minor league game of the week, the Seals burst into action with the finesse of a major league team, by trampling the Solons, 8-2.

Dennis Jarwin was awarded the game ball for his pitching and three clutch RBI's. Danny Pierce provided dynamic pitching relief, by striking out his first three batters with the bases loaded, to preserve the victory.

In addition Bryan Strobe hit another homerun to extend his streak to three in the last three games.

In the major league game of the week, the Presidio Astros nipped the San Francisco Tigers in a 10-9 thriller.

The Astros jumped out in front early with a 2-0 lead, but the Tigers came right back in the top of the second inning to go ahead 3-2. With the seasaw pattern set, the Astros bounced right back at the bottom of the second.

A lead off single by Jeff Hill, was followed by another single by Steve Rushing, which sent Hill to third. A hard hit double by slugger Victor McDonald drove in Hill and Rushing to give them a 4-3 lead.

After a scoreless third inning, the Tigers rallied in the fourth, behind an error two singles, and a double to recapture the lead, 6-4. But the Astros fought right back, gathering up four more runs, behind a clutch double from newcomer Brain Dollander, to put the Astros once again on top, 8-6.

In the next inning, the Tigers immediately responded, by having their big guns come through for three runs, and their last lead of the game, 9-8.

Under tremendous pressure with three outs remaining, the Astros came through like champs. The first two batters up, Pat Guinn and James Soldebehere, drew bases on balls, then the Tigers pitcher balked to advance the runners to second and third.

Jeff Hill, with two strikes, doubled to drive in the tying runner. The next batter, Joey McBarry added to the intensity by reaching a full count, after fouling off four pitches, but finally connected, looping one into right field, for the game winning hit.

Throughout the year the Presidio Mets, Phils, and Astros have been consistently coming very close to knocking on the victory door against a San Francisco team, and it finally occurred when the Astros beat the Tigers, 10-9.

In another major league game, the Presidio Phils defeated the Presidio Mets, by a score of 7-4, in a well played game on both sides. The margin of victory was provided by Freddie Baas, who homered and drove in 5 runs.

In addition, Kaas made several outstanding defensive plays, and pitched the final inning of relief, to preserve the victory for winning pitcher, Robbie Newton. Both Kevin Blake, who was playing his last game, and Kevin Bruhn, had a good day at the plate and in the field.

Dewell named top photographer

*Four-time winner
takes quarterly
photo contest*

R. Scott Dewell grabbed Photo of the Quarter honors with his photograph entitled, "One Crystal Dawn."

Finishing behind Dewell was Janet Hill whose picture of a poker playing pooch earned her second place.

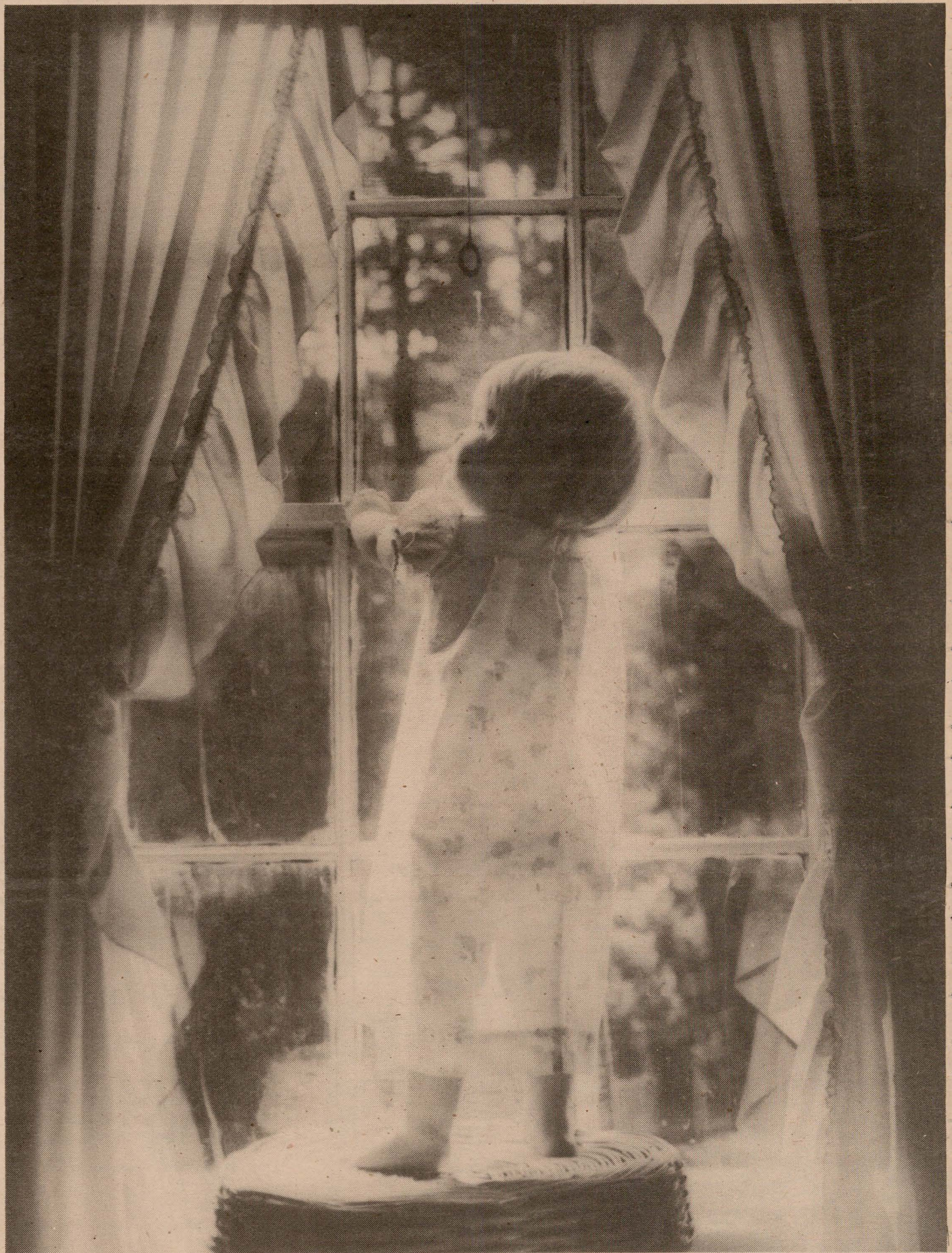
Emma Edwards was awarded third place by the judges for catching a seagull in midflight.

The Photo of the Quarter competition pits winners of the **Star Presidian** weekly photo competition against each other to determine the "best of the best."

Winners of the quarterly competition receive Headliner awards from the paper.

Dewell's entry was one of four of his photos which had been chosen as weekly photo winners.

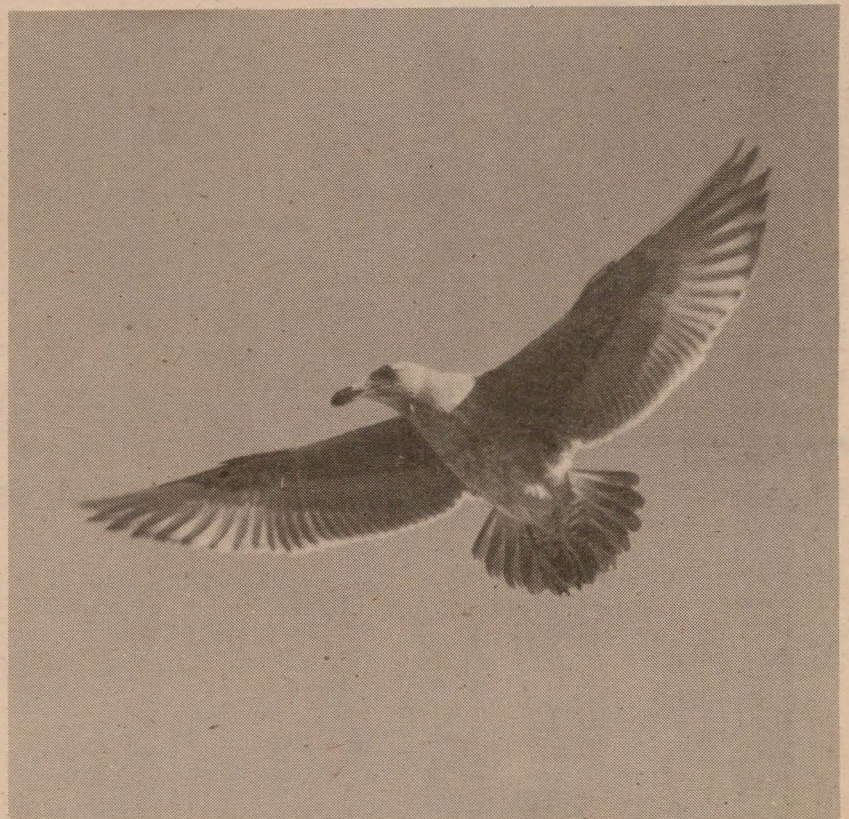
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Dewell's winning "One Crystal Dawn".



Janet Hill's poker playing pooch.



Emma Edward's seagull.

Changes to affect on post traffic Saturday

A number of changes are in store for Presidio drivers as the post faces the onslaught of more than 80,000 persons expected for Saturday's Fourth of July festivities on Crissy Field.

According to an advisory issued by Maj. Charles Taylor, deputy provost marshal, the gates on Lombard, Presidio, Gorgas and Mason Streets will be one way onto post beginning at 6 p.m. Saturday. (See map on page 4.)

Once the parking areas on post are filled, all gates will be closed. Taylor expects that to happen by 8 p.m. and notes that the Presidio Blvd. gate will be the first one to close.

After the 9 p.m. fireworks display at Crissy

Field is concluded, the gates will be changed to one way leading off post until after the traffic has cleared.

In announcing the gate closures, Taylor cautioned post residents that after the expected 8 p.m. cutoff of on post traffic, it will be virtually impossible for residents to return to their quarters until after midnight Saturday.

In addition to the gate changes, Taylor plans a number of other moves to help ease the traffic burden of Independence Day visitors. Lincoln Boulevard between Presidio and Halleck Street will be one way during the peak traffic times and a

number of roads will be open only to residential traffic. The affected streets are Bank, Mesa and Cowles streets, Keyes and East Crissy Field avenues, Eddie and Girard roads and Simmonds Loop.

The Fort Baker tunnel will also be one way going east from 7 p.m. Saturday until traffic clears.

Taylor has asked that all post residents not attempt to drive across post anytime after 4 p.m. Saturday as one means of easing traffic jams. He suggests that residents use Muni transportation which will be increased to help handle the holiday crowds.

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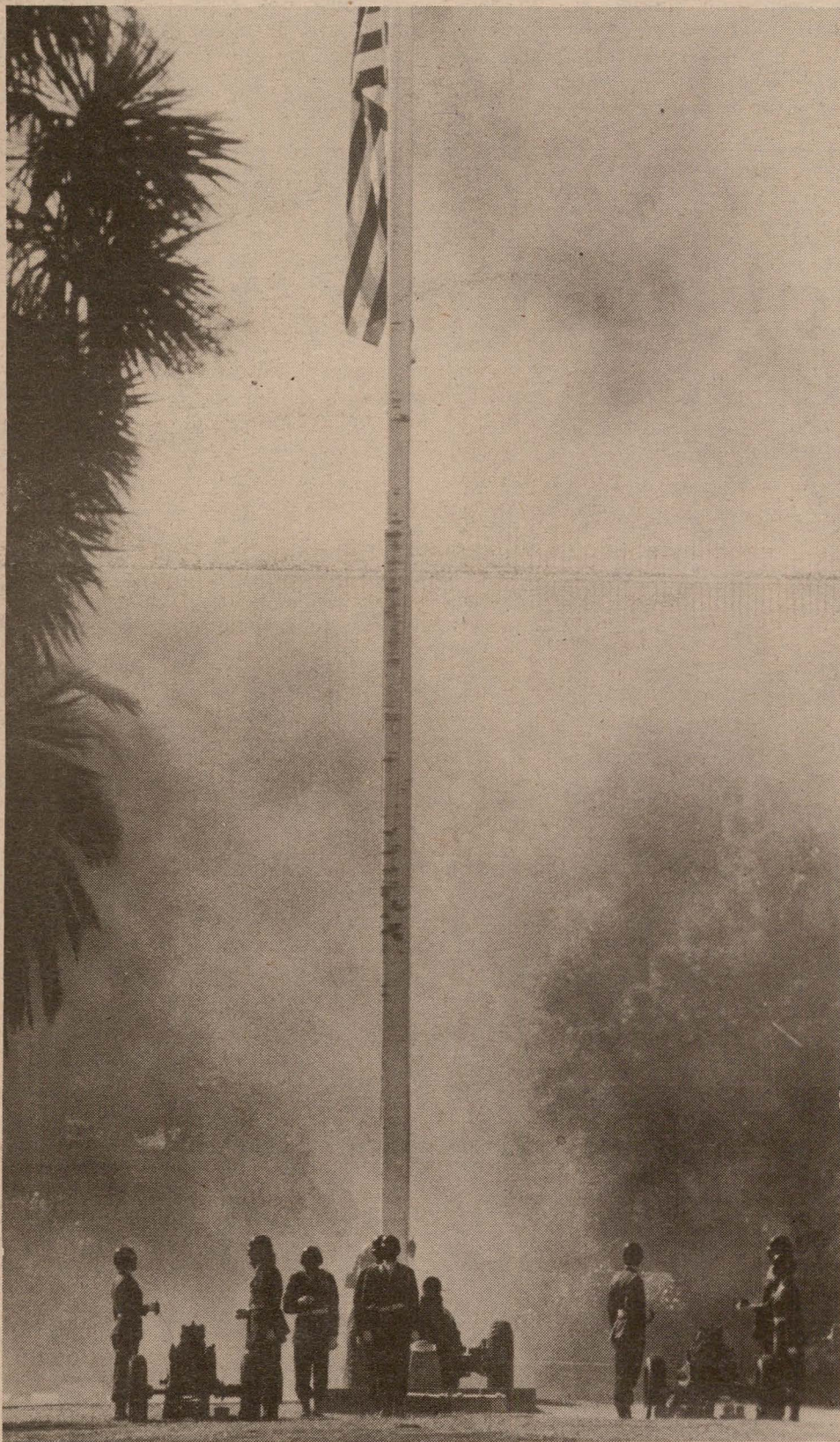


photo by John Green

Coming Saturday

A 50-gun "Salute to the Union" will officially open Saturday's Fourth of July activities at Crissy Field. For a full schedule of the festivities, see page 4.

In divorce suit

Supreme Court rules against retirement split

The U. S. Supreme Court, in a six to three decision, has ruled that federal law prevents state courts from dividing military retirement pay between spouses in a divorce proceeding.

The case involved a couple who were divorced in San Francisco in 1978. A Superior Court judge awarded the wife of Dr. Richard John McCarty \$500 a month in alimony and 45 percent of his military retirement pay.

Arguing that Congress had not given states the right to deal with military pay matters, McCarty petitioned to prevent his wife from getting a share of his retirement pay. The California Court of Appeals had ruled in Mrs. McCarty's favor and the California Supreme Court had refused to hear the case.

In the majority opinion, Justice Harry Blackmun wrote, "Congress has enacted a military retirement system designed to accomplish two major goals: To provide for the retired servicemember and to meet

the personnel management needs of the active military forces. The community property division of retired pay has the potential to frustrate each of these objectives."

Apparently, the ruling does not preclude individuals from negotiating marital settlement agreements in which retirement benefits are shared voluntarily. Capt. W. Patrick Resen, post legal assistance officer, indicates that it will probably require some additional clarification before they are able to determine how the decision will effect these agreements.

"What we don't know," says Resen, "is whether or not the decision is retroactive and, if so, whether it applies to marital settlement agreements as well as divorce decrees."

Those who are currently giving up a portion of their military retirement as community property under a divorce decree may now return to court to get the decree amended to conform with the new ruling.

We regret the error

In last week's edition of the **Star Presidian**, we made reference to a Presidio resident as a recent rape victim.

This reference was in error and misrepresented the facts

relating to the incident.

The **Star Presidian** deeply regrets this error and any problems it might have caused to those concerned with the story.

Terminally ill woman makes record try

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It sure beats soup cans and string

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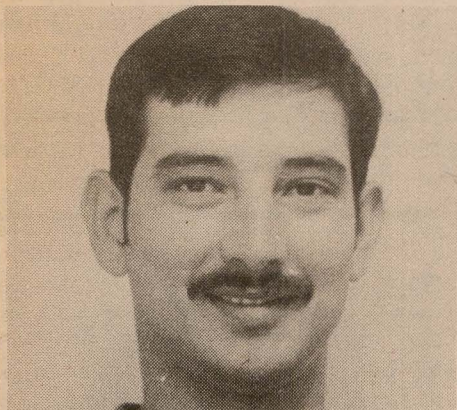


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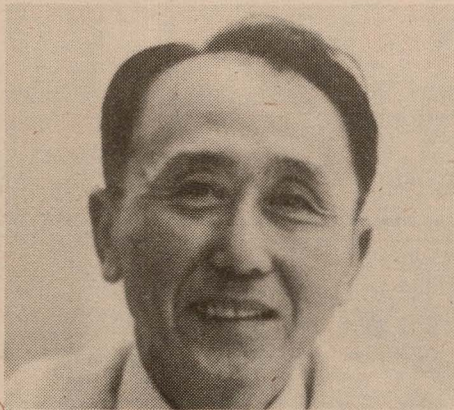
Ramblin' Sam *Should there be more or less civilian employees?*



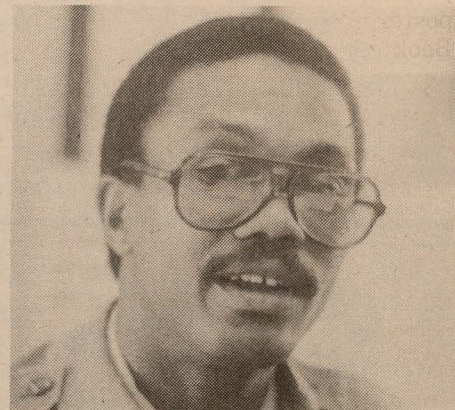
Capt. Jesse Pantalione, USAG—In the administration area, yes. However in sensitive areas where emergency actions have to be taken after duty hours, there's a need for military personnel in particular key positions. I wouldn't mind seeing more military personnel in key positions, not to say the civilians aren't doing a fine job.



Yvonne Sobzyk, Finance—“More. Military personnel learn a particular job and eventually have to leave, whereas the civilians would work usually for years. Even if there's a military person working in the office, guard duty and other military-related functions disturb the flow of work.



Charles Chen, Finance—“More. When I worked at the NCO Club years ago, there was a new manager almost every year. I worked there 15 years as the chief accountant and the constant change in managers really destroyed the flow of operation. It was very uncomfortable for those who had been working there for three or four years.



Sp5 Arthur L. Britton, USAG—“Actually it's not a question of needing more or less civilians, it's a question of needing more personnel. Let's face it, the accomplishment of the mission is the most important factor in our military society anyway.

Commentary

It's the new national pastime, folks

by K. Douglas Cook

My buddy O'Roon was really depressed the other evening. I don't mean a little out of sorts I mean **Depressed**, as in down in the dumps.

“What's the matter, O'Roon?” I asked. “Did your favorite watering hole burn down or did you lose your peacock feather?”

“Nawww,” said O'Roon sadly, “I've been so busy this week I haven't had a single chance to go jogging.”

“I know how you feel, old pal,” I replied, trying to sympathize. “I get the same way when I run out of cigarettes.”

“You know, lard bucket, you should be jogging too,” said O'Roon, who always has such a way with words. “It would improve your muscle tone, breathing and heart rate.”

Well, I really didn't know what the devil O'Roon was talking about. My muscles have been in the key of “F flat” for years, I breathe quite regularly and—the last time I had occasion to check—my heart was still beating.

The next thing I know, I'm in O'Roon's car headed for the local sweat and strain sporting shop. It seemed that I was about to receive a crash course in the new national pastime.

“Hi, O'Roon!” said the clerk, who looked like he placed fourth in a hunger strike contest. “What you got there, a convert to our religion?”

“Yep,” replied O'Roon. “He's decided to become elite with his feet, run for fun and join our symphony of sweat worshippers!”

“Amen, fellow pounder of the pavement!” agreed the clerk. “We shall show him the way to the true meaning of hamstringing stretch happiness.”

First there was the visor for my head. I couldn't help but think of a riverboat gambler, but I was told the thing's to streamline one's appearance and lessen drag.

Next came the running shirt. Hummm, it looked like something a guy was wearing after losing a battle with a 12-gauge shotgun, but what the devil.

Then I was shown the best in running shorts. The clerk said something about the Teflon coating to reduce friction and I remembered I hadn't had supper.

The socks were dragged out next. Not just any old socks, No Sir! These beauties had a built-in chemical doo-dad which eats ugly smells. I wondered to myself who's gonna ask to smell my tootsies while I'm loping over hill and dale.

Ah, the warm-up suit appears. Color coordinated to match my visor, shirt and shorts (socks

must not count apparently), this little number had more zippers than a notions counter. I reminded myself to shave all the hair off my legs as I'm not into pain from ripping hair!

So far I think I'd spent \$417.87 to feel better. Funny, I felt pretty good before I went into the store.

The clerk approached me holding a shoe box delicately. I wondered if he didn't have some sort of religious artifact in the box. He knelt before me and produced a very weird looking shoe.

“This is the top of the line,” he said beaming with pride. “It has been blessed by Fixx, Virgin and Rogers!”

I wondered why a Marin stock brokerage was blessing shoes, but decided that it was not the time to ask such questions.

“These have a 2 percent inward dwell, a 7 degree upward sloping last, built-in pumps, ultra-light uppers, non-skid fasteners and self-correcting trim tabs on the outboard spoilers!” he continued. “They're on special for only \$98.89, complete with balancing and lubrication.”

Now these shoes looked like something I saw once at the Indy 500! The only difference was that the operator sat in that one. This guy really expected me to put those things on my feet!

“I'd spent \$417.87 to feel better. Funny, I felt pretty good before I went into the store.”

I added up the price of becoming healthy and great day in the morning! My first car, complete with 27 subsequent dates with Jeannie Johnston, came to less money! Plus, she never once commented about my feet!

Well, folks, me and my unhealthy little body decided to give O'Roon and this crazy clerk a lesson in running. I learned it when I was a mere child of 8 years. I understood the true meaning of fleetness of foot and continued good health when the 13-year-old down the block decided to beat the stuffing out of me.

Funny, if I recall correctly, I was wearing a pair of saddle shoes which cost about \$7.50 complete with plaid laces. I think I'll just buy another pair of those and take a nice, quiet walk up to the store. I'm almost out of cigarettes.

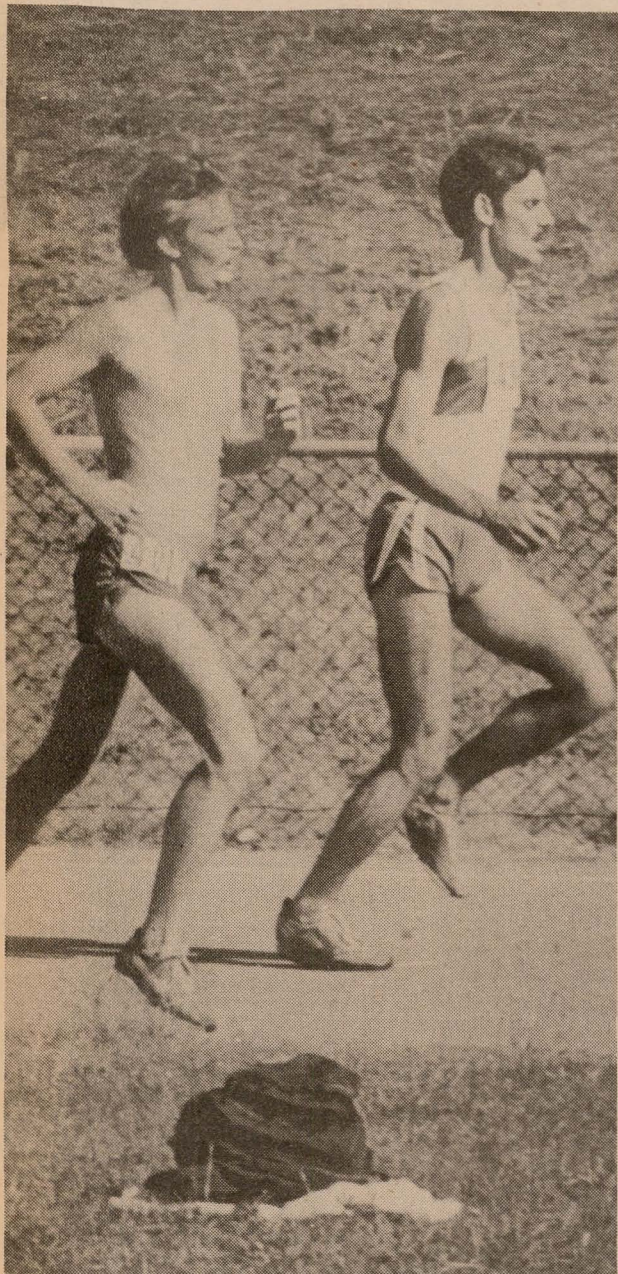


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Grandmother trying to set record

by Tim Dewar

A terminally-ill Livermore grandmother is spending her last days trying to set a world record.

70-year-old Maxine Plastino, is putting together the world's largest poster for entry into the Guinness Book of World Record. The poster is

being unveiled at the Presidio Parade Field today at 9 a.m.

Inspired by sketches from one of her former students who died of leukemia in 1949, Plastino has included on the poster the faces 11-year-old Ted Newall left behind in a sketchbook. Three months after Ted's

release from the hospital after a bout with leukemia, he died and left his sketchbook to Maxine.

"It's like he was saying, 'I am handing the ball over to you, take it over the goal line,'" she explains.

The poster, which took nine months to complete, was done in 38 sections of 90-feet each, for a total of 9380 square feet.

According to the Guinness book, that beats the old record set several years ago by more than 3000 square feet.

"It took 3000 hours, 59 felt pens and 27 bottles of glue," she claims, "but it was all a labor of love, and I would do it all over again. I had the privilege to work with many very nice people while working on the poster, and I would like to thank every one of them."

"It's fun to confirm that people are still good," she adds.

The nine months she dedicated to work on the poster was only a small symbol of the patriotism she feels for "Uncle Sam" every day. Even in her prayers, she manages to slip in a kind word for him and everything for which he stands.

"Here is a lady who thought she could, so she did," explains Dr. Michael Petrillo, Plastino's close friend and pastor for 20 years. "She is a very patriotic woman, and she has the spirit of '76, in the sense that she

can put her knowledge to use to do what America does," he says.

Although she has spent the last six months as a widow, Plastino claims, "I'm perfectly happy because I've used my time wisely." She and her late husband were married on July 4, 1936. Her anniversary falls just two days after her post will be displayed.

But time seems to mean nothing to Maxine, as she says, "When we have a hundred years to spend together, I will tell you some stories."

In her many roles as school and piano teacher, author, poster marker and grandmother, Plastino says the one she prefers the most is grandmother, or "Gamoo" as she was called by her grandson when he was a baby.

"Good homes are all that we need. When the family unit breaks down, we are all in trouble," she says.

"I am the product of a good home," Plastino says. "I was fortunate enough to have someone say, 'This is your home.'" Plastino is the third of four adopted children in her family beginning with her grandmother on down to her daughter.

"The number of people she has touched over the years is just incredible," Petrillo states.

As Plastino spreads her patriotism out over 9300 square feet today she may be repeating a comment she makes to many of those people she touches. "Yes," she says, "I am for real."



Plastino works on her record effort.

photo by Tim Dewar

Presidians asked to 'Give a Damn' for kids

by Jon Chelgren

The Presidio and the San Francisco Police Department are joining together in a summer effort to help "borderline" juveniles in the city's highest crime area.

According to Officer James Leach of SFPDs, volunteers particularly from the Presidio are being asked to spend some time in the Western Addition area of the city to meet with youths and provide them positive examples and alternatives to juvenile crime which is particularly high in the area.

Called "Operation: Give a Damn," the program officially opens today and continues through Aug. 31.

"The whole program is about people making a commitment to other people," Leach explains. "The kids are already there, we just want to take advantage of that audience."

And he continues, "If we can turn around 10 percent or even one juvenile, the program will be a success."

Leach, a veteran of 10 years on the police force, knows the Western Addi-

tion area well. It is the place where he was raised and he has seen a steady deterioration and rising crime rate.

"We have put patrols in the areas, we have cracked down, but we (the police) have not had any effect," he says. "We don't have the answer."

He and Maj. Robert McKenzie, chief of the Human Resources Development Division and also a former resident of the Western Addition, are now banding together in the experimental volunteer program.

According to Leach the program

will ask volunteers to meet with 15-18 year olds at the Ella Hill Hutch Community Center for one or two hours a week in their spare time. The aim is to provide a positive example for juveniles which Leach terms "borderline."

"The kids we are trying to reach are basically good. They are borderline, not really criminal but influenced by their peers to help in criminal activities," Leach says.

Anyone wishing to devote some of their spare time should contact either Leach at 553-1345 or McKenzie at ext. 3701.

Starting this fall

Novato sets bus fees

by Michael Christy

Beginning this fall, the Novato School District will charge fees for children riding the district's school busses.

In an advisory to the post judge advocate office, the Novato School District said last week that they would be charging 80 cents per child per day for the use of the school district busses. This fee will be charged to all children within the district, not just dependent children of military members.

The charging of fees for riding school busses comes at a time when Congress is deciding whether to continue with the federal impact aid program.

A report in the June 29 issue of *Army Times*, announced that the House Education and Labor Committee voted to restore \$414.6 million in impact aid which the committee had cut from next fiscal year's budget earlier in the week.

Department of the Army officials contacted by the *Star Presidian*

Tuesday refused to comment on any of the congressional budget actions. They noted that the budget still faces congressional action on Capitol Hill.

Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger has stated that he will do everything in his power—including taking legal action—to prevent soldiers from having to pay tuition charges for their dependents.

Should the impact aid be cut, a number of states have indicated that they will pass legislation to allow local school districts to charge tuition for military dependents.

California is not one of the states considering legislation for charging tuition but the local office of the Department of Education says the imposing of the bussing fees by the Novato School District probably took into consideration the possible elimination of federal impact funds.

The *Star Presidian* learned that the Novato School District will also be charging participation fees for all extra-curricular sporting activities beginning with the 1981 school year.



US Army photo

Happy Days

Danny Ignacio (l.) and Donny Most chat during a recent get together of stars and children in Sunnyvale. The Pizza Time Theater drew several hundred children to meet the celebrities.

Fourth of July a full day festival

A Russian immigrant will sing the "Star Spangled Banner" as the Presidio and the Golden Gate National Recreation Area join in hosting Fourth of July activities Saturday at Crissy Field.

Nikolai Massenkoff, a noted Russian singer and performer, will sing

the national anthem for the second consecutive year. His performance will be followed by a 50-gun "Salute to the Union" fired by a battery of howitzers manned by members of the 504th MP Battalion.

Massenkoff's rendition of the anthem and the gun salute begin at 2:30 p.m. at Crissy Field.

The rest of Independence Day festivities feature a day-long celebration with music, food and free performances which stretch along the waterfront from Fort Point to Fort Mason.

The Pickle Family Circus will perform at noon at Fort Mason with a show of comedy, juggling and mime.

At 2 p.m. The Turk Murphy jazz band will play at Fort Point beneath the Golden Gate bridge.

At 3 p.m. Good Foot, a rock and roll band, will kick off live music at the Crissy Field stage.

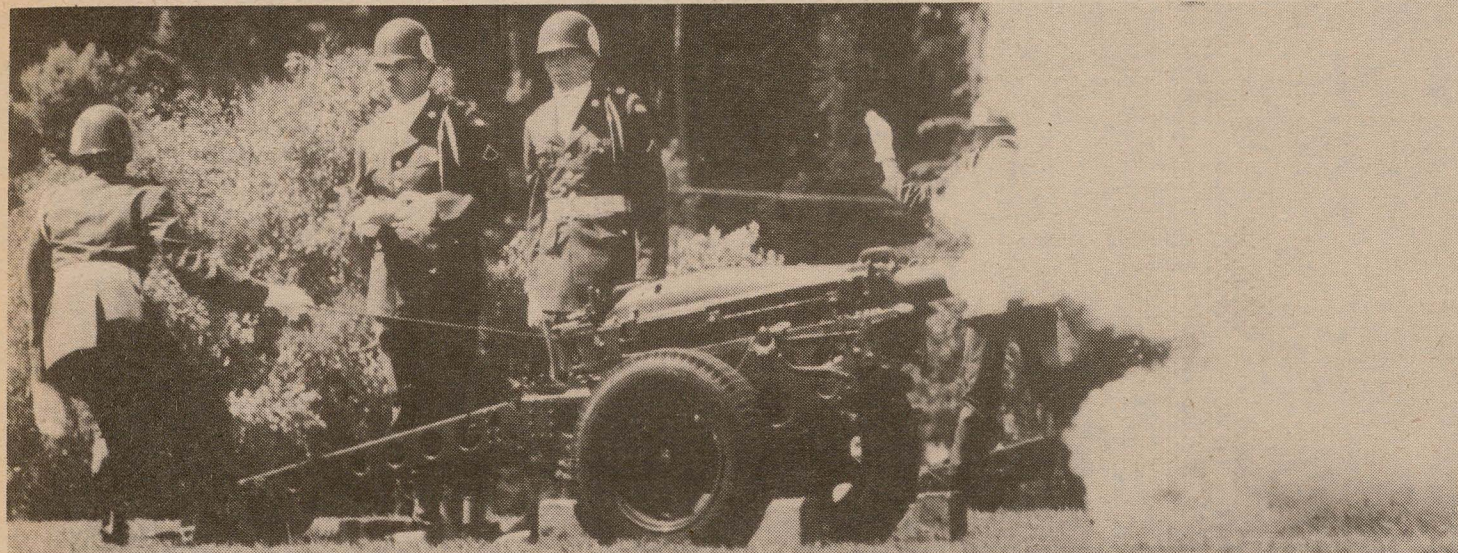
The band will be followed at 3:50 p.m. by David Reffkin's Take One Ragtime Ensemble, a group that performs turn of the century tunes.

Tahitian dancers will perform dances of the Pacific at 4:40 p.m.

A San Francisco bluegrass band, High Country, takes the stage at 5:30 p.m. with harmonica player Bill White performing at 6:20 p.m.

New Boots, a rhythm and blues group, plays at 7:15 with the Sixth Army Band rounding out the day's music at 8:15.

The largest fireworks display in the city caps Saturday's celebration. Beginning at 9 p.m. the fireworks will be fired from barges just off Crissy field.



Members of the 504th MP Battalion salute battery will help to kick off festivities.

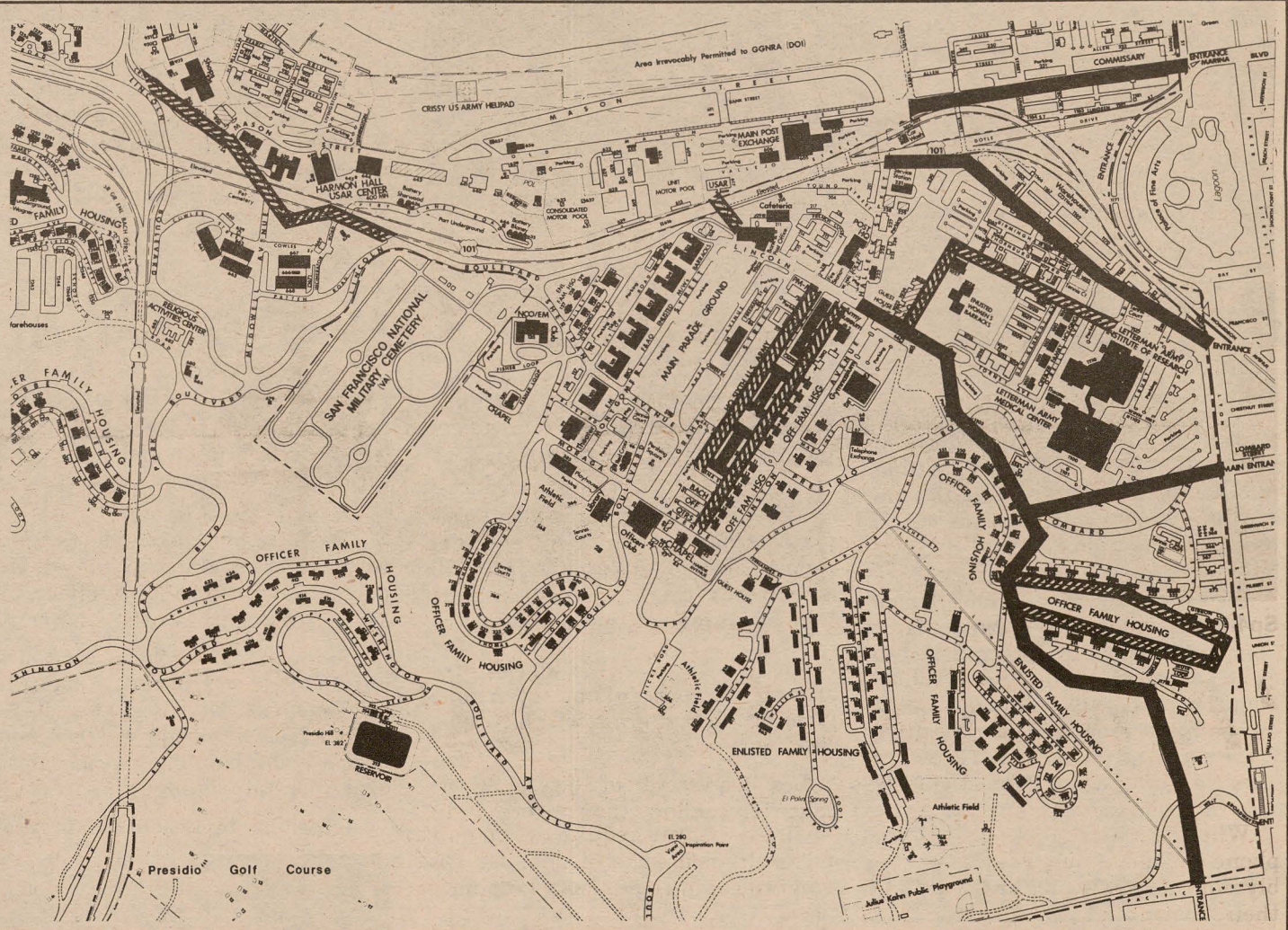
photo by Jon Chelgren

80,000 to affect traffic

As the Presidio hosts more than 80,000 Fourth of July spectators Saturday, post MPs plan a number of changes.

The gates and routes shown by a solid black line will be one way onto post beginning at 6 p.m. After the fireworks, they will be one way leading off post.

The broken lines indicate streets which will be open only to residents and guests. All post gates will be closed once parking areas on the Presidio are filled. MPs say that should be by 8 p.m. Saturday.



300 on hand

New Reserve school opens at Camp Parks

by Dick Rhyno

"You are in the Army's Reserve at one of the most exciting times in our history," is how Lt. Gen. Charles Hall, Sixth Army commander described their role to 300 Army Reserve and National Guard students in opening ceremonies at the MOS Training Center Monday at the Parks Forces Reserve Training Area at Camp Parks.

Hall said the total Army concept now relies heavily on not only active components but "personnel of units like your own who are essential to the military wellbeing of this country."

Hall, who retires later this month after 35 years in the Army, noted that the military occupational specialty training center at Parks

will "soon begin to see even more students coming here for training than in the past. Concentrating this training here and bringing you here for this training is extremely cost effective and directly beneficial to your units as well."

More than 1000 Reserve and National Guard students are expected to attend Army job specialty courses at Parks during the three two-week school cycles this summer, according to Col. John Toman, commandant of the 6237 USAR School at Parks.

Assigned to the Park's school from home units in 16 Western states, both students and instructors maintain proficiency by attending weekend drills, pursuing their civilian careers the rest of the time.

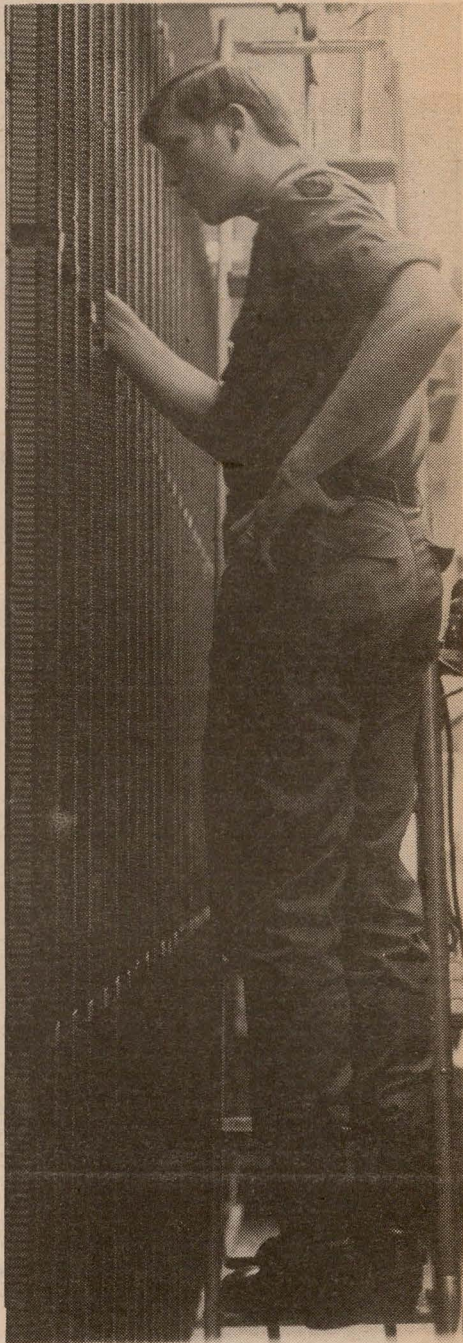


Hall discusses training at the 6237th USAR School.

photo by Dick Rhyno



Sp4 Frank Jones, a WATS operator, hooks up a long distance connection.



Sgt. David Cabe checks wiring.

'A maze of wires'

by Tim Dewar

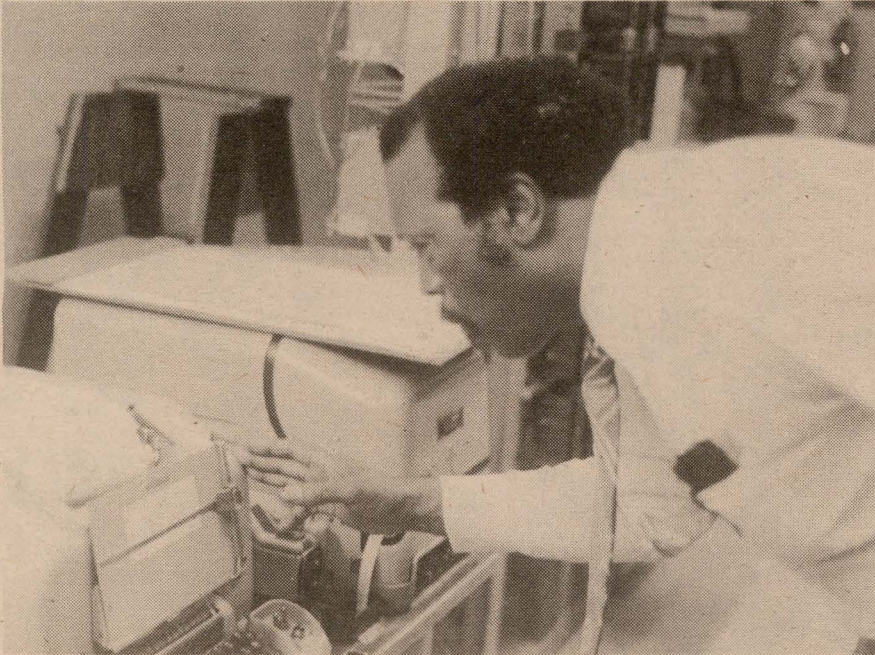
When Presidians pick up the phone and dial a number, they probably don't think about where or how their "instructions" are passed along.

But whenever a receiver is lifted or a number dialed, that signal finds its way to a mass of circuits and a maze of wires located at the central telephone exchange in building 67.

And there a band of military and

civilian workers keep an eye on miles of multi-colored wire, making sure that the aging equipment is doing its job.

The telephone exchange, manned by members of the posts Directorate of Communications and Electronics (DCE) serves nearly 5300 on post phone customers ranging from commanders with official calls to housewives in some post quarters.



James Lewis checks a phone use readout.



Abe Tatum repairs an aging piece of equipment.

Time to spare



"Gypsy" continues at the Presidio Playhouse.

photo by Andrej and Janet Novak

'Gypsy' at Playhouse, free haircuts offered

Play opens—"Gypsy", the big Broadway musical which opened at the Presidio on June 12 to a standing-room-only crowd, continues performances through July. The show features Ann Homrig-hausen and Mary Jo McConnell in the leading roles.

Tickets for "Gypsy" performances in July are available at the Playhouse Box Office from 1 to 5 p.m. Tickets are \$3.50 with a \$1 discount for military, personnel, dependents, retirees and reservists upon presentation of identification cards.

Canoe trip—The Presidio Recreation Center is planning a canoe trip on the Russian River for July 18. The trip will start with wine tasting at the historic Italian Swiss Colony Winery and then paddling down the Russian River from Geyserville Bridge to Alexander Valley campground and a chicken barbecue dinner.

The tour includes bus transportation to and from the Recreation Center canoe, paddles, lifejackets, winery tour and chicken dinner.

Class coming—San Francisco State University will offer a course on the Cold War at the Army Education Center, Bldg. 1216 from Aug. 11 to Oct. 21.

The course will cover Soviet-American relations since World War II. The course will be held on Monday and Wednesday from 5 to 7:45 p.m. Tuition assistance is available for active duty military personnel. For more information contact the Fort Scott Education Center, ext. 2974.

Free haircuts—Columbia Pictures, will host an outdoor free hair-cutting benefit for the USO as part of the company's promotion for the movie, "Stripes."

USO Director Samantha Yruegas, announced that Columbia will donate to the USO \$1 for the first 400 haircuts. Barbers from the San Francisco Barber College will cut, trim and style hair at the benefit.

The event will be Monday at Ghirardelli Square from 1 to 3 p.m.

Photo contest—Army arts and crafts centers worldwide are planning local competitions to select entries for the All-Army Photography Contest this summer. Final entries will be judged in September at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.

The local entry deadline is Aug. 15. Contestants may submit up to three entries in each of the three groups: monochrome prints, color prints and color transparencies. Categories in each of these groups are general, three entries in each category and the photographs must have been taken since July 31. photographs must have been taken since July 31.

Local contest is open to active duty, dependents and Presidio civilians, but only active duty entries are eligible to advance to FORSCOM competition.

For more details contact the arts and crafts shop, bldg. 122, ext. 4497.

White water trip—The Outdoor Rec center is planning a water raft trip on the American River Aug. 28-30. The \$110 per person cost includes transportation, camping and rafting equipment, instruction, guides and meals. A \$30 deposit is required pon sign-up. Full payment is due Jul 24.

Mount Tam Hike—A day hike to Mount Tamalpais is scheduled for July 12. The \$2 cost includes transportation, a guide and equipment. Contact the Outdoor Recreation Center before July 10 to sign up for the trip.

The Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk is scheduled for Aug. 22, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., the \$5.00 price includes bus transportation. Deadline for sign-up is Aug. 1.

Gold Panning Expedition—The Yuba River will be the site of gold panning expeditions July 31 and Aug. 2. For \$20 the Outdoor Recreation Center will provide transportation, equipment and instruction. The trip concludes with a tour of the Malakof Diggings State Historic Park. Sign up deadline for the trip is July 24.

At the movies

Presidio Theater

July 2	Thief (R)	7 p.m.
July 3	Thief (R)	7 p.m.
July 4	Hercules Unchained (G)	2 p.m.
July 4	The Little Dragons (PG)	7 p.m.
July 5	Fort Apache, the Bronx (R)	7 p.m.
July 6	Fort Apache, the Bronx (R)	7 p.m.
July 7	Back Roads (R)	7 p.m.
July 8	Back Roads (R)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

July 2	The Blues Brothers (R)	7 p.m.
July 3	The Man With Bogart's Face (PG)	7 p.m.
July 6	Thief (R)	7 p.m.
July 7	The Little Dragons (PG)	7 p.m.
July 8	Fort Apache, the Bronx (R)	7 p.m.

State to host free July sports camp for local kids

A free five-week sports day camp will be held at San Francisco State University for boys and girls ages 10-18. Sponsored by the DYA office, the camp will include instruction in swimming, soccer, basketball, gymnastics, softball and volleyball. The camp will hold its sessions Monday-Friday from 12:30-4:30 p.m. beginning July 15. Application forms are available through the DYA office in bldg. 122.



Star Presidian file photo

Sports

Sports shorts

by Karl Gaffney

Softball tourney

Eight of the top 20 teams from the Presidio softball league, along with some top teams from Treasure Island and Alameda Naval Air Station will be competing in a **Holiday Softball Tournament**, Friday-Sunday, at the Fort Scott softball fields. Competition begins at 10 a.m. on Friday, with the championship game scheduled for 2:30 p.m. on Sunday.

Team awards will be presented after the championship game. Competing from the Presidio will include LAIR No. 1, Sixth Army, 864th Engineers, Company B, LAMC, Oakland, the Doctors, USAG and the 51st Engineers.

Golf winners

Led by Gary Dutcher's low net score of 134, LAIR's golf team combined for a low net score of 410 to defeat Sixth Army No. 1 by 14 strokes in a 36-hole championship playoff in the Presidio Intramural Golf League.

Joining Dutcher in the effort were Robert Neuteboom, Roko Smiljanic, Gary Dutcher and Ken Volk.

Finishing in third place just one stroke behind Sixth Army No. 1 was Sixth Army No. 2 with a score of 425. Bobby Tate of Sixth Army No. 1, was the low gross winner with a 36-hole score of 156, followed by Ken Volk of LAIR with 165.

Softball roundup

LAIR No. 1 continued to be the only unbeaten team in Presidio Intramural softball play as they soundly defeated B Co., LAMC 4-0 in a game that went seven innings in 45 minutes.

LAIR's pitcher Robert Neuteboom faced only 23 batters in pitching his shut-out over a team that has been scoring in double figures throughout the season.

Crossing the plate for LAIR's first two runs were Dale Murry and Tom Amen who banged out singles in the first inning to get on base.

Helping his own cause in the second inning, Neuteboom blasted a triple and scored on Tony Rodriguez's base hit.

In the next four innings it was three up and three down as both pitchers mowed down the batters.

LAIR added an insurance run in their top of the seventh inning on Tom Amen's second hit of the game. He scored on Ralph Baylor's base hit.

In other softball action:
864th-9, Coast Guard-0

The Engineers of the 864th overpowered MSC LAMC with their bats as Ron Petersen blasted two home runs, Larry Stewert added another and Mike Maupin went three-for-three at the plate.

864th-7, MSC LAMC-1

Mike Maupin pitched a six-hit shutout and Brent Schumacher had two RBI's as the Engineers used a combined attack to swamp the Coast Guard 9-0. Ron Petersen accounted for several excellent defensive plays for the 864th.

170th MP-5, Sixth Army-2

The 170th MP's surprised Sixth Army with a 5-2 victory and then continued their winning streak by defeating MSC, LAMC 8-2.

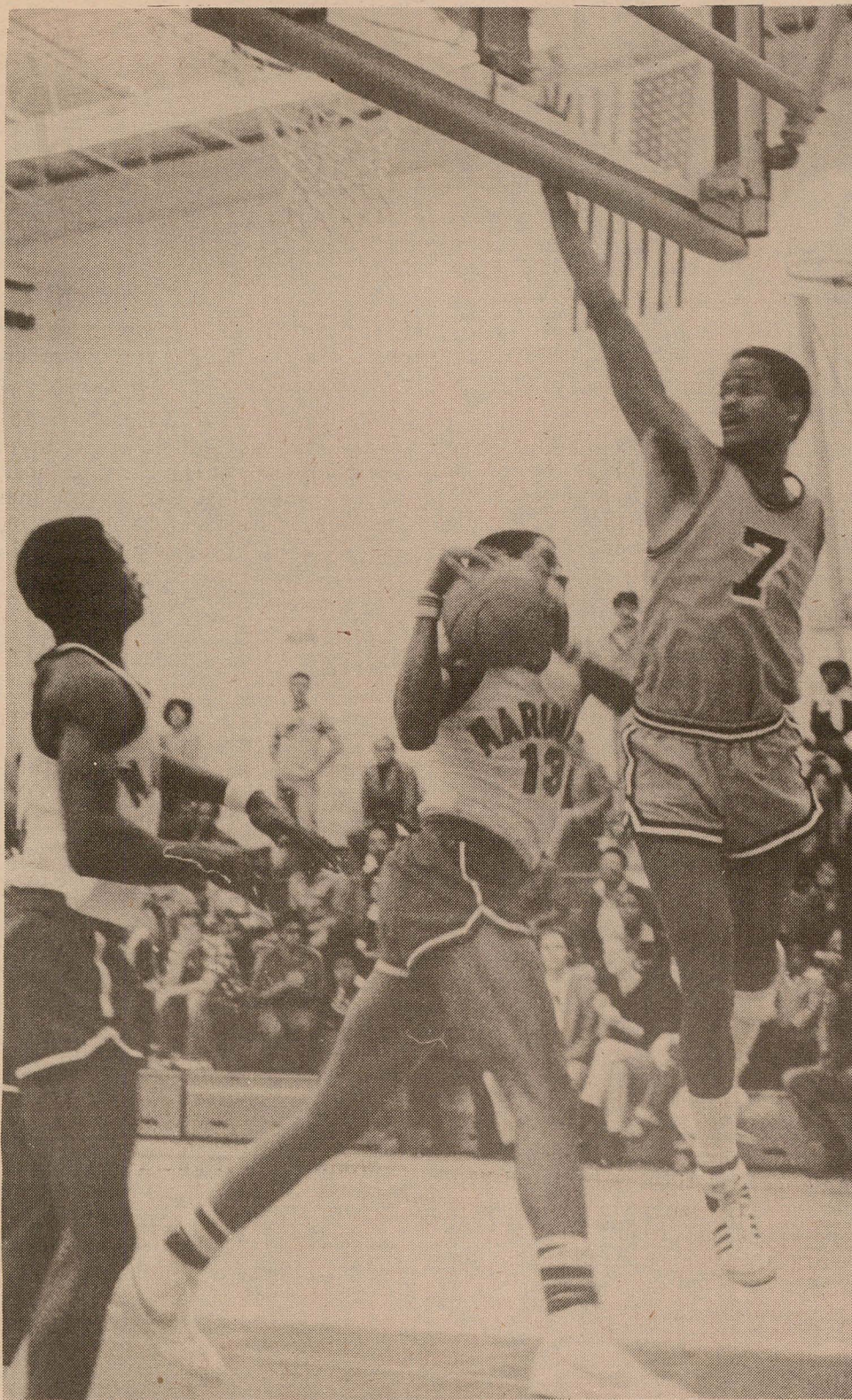
Doctors-9, 51st-0

Scoring eight runs on seven hits in the first inning, the Doctor's bombed the 51st Engineers 9-0 to take sole possession of first place in the Fort Scott League.

OTHER GAME RESULTS FORT SCOTT LEAGUE

Oakland 13, Coast Guard 9
51st Engrs 12, PHS 10
Doctors 14, MSAD 1
Oakland 17, MSAD 2
Sixth Army 9, PHS 3

PRESIDIO LEAGUE
USAG 6, Four Seasons 3
Attorneys 11, LAIR No. 2 0
B Co, LAMC 16, LAIR No. 2 6
Attorneys 7, USACC 0
LAIR No. 1 17, INSCOM 7



Warren flies high during the Interservice championships.

photo by Jon Chelgren

Warren picked for basketball squad

by Tim Dewar

A Presidio soldier has been chosen to attend the Council International Sport du Militaire (CISM) basketball training camp for his third consecutive year.

Although it is not known yet if he will attend, Sp4 Larry Warren, teletype operator for the 504th MP Battalion, was chosen to participate in the training camp being held at the Presidio from Aug. 14 to Sept. 10.

Voted the Most Valuable Player in the 1980 CISM championships, Warren is a two-year veteran of the All Armed forces team as well as a three-year veteran of the All-Army team.

A former All-American from

Florida State, Warren's ball handling and scoring were instrumental in the Army winning this year's Interservice Basketball Championships held at the Presidio in March.

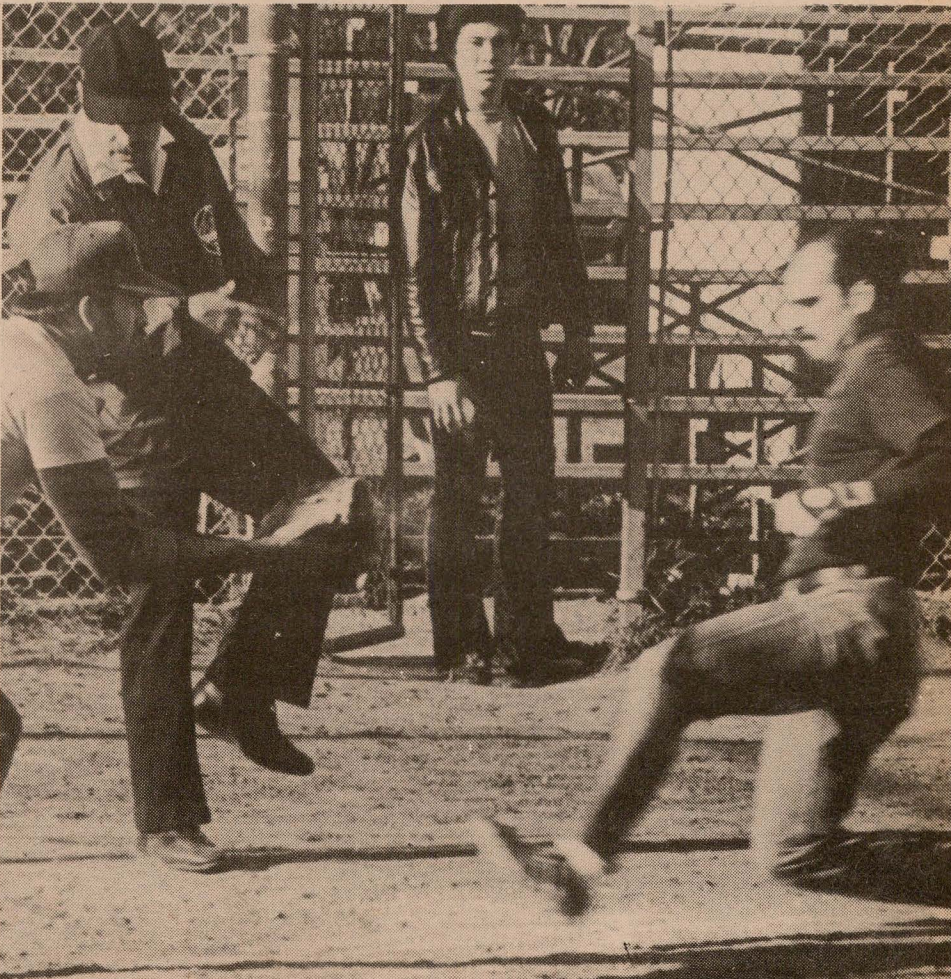
According to Bobbie Gascon of the Presidio Sports Branch, "Besides Warren, 11 other soldiers will be selected to participate in the championships, which will take place in Saudi Arabia from Sept. 12-17.

The CISM championship is a yearly event with military teams from many different nations participating.

"The United States team has not lost a championship since 1974," Gascon states.

Softball Standings

PRESIDIO LEAGUE			FORT SCOTT LEAGUE		
Team	W	L	Team	W	L
LAIR No. 1	12	0	Doctors	12	1
B Co, LAMC	12	2	Sixth Army	10	2
USAG	11	3	Oakland	10	3
Four Seasons	10	4	864th Engrs	10	3
INSCOM	7	6	170th MP	6	6
Attorneys	6	7	PHS	6	7
USACC	2	12	Coast Guard	4	9
LAIR No. 2	2	12	51st Engrs	3	10
			MSAD	2	11
			MSC, LAMC	1	12



A runner heads home during last year's intramural action.

photo by Jon Chelgren

Presidio News Notes

Vets day set

The city of San Mateo is planning a Vietnam Veterans reunion Saturday and Sunday.

San Mateo, the only city in the United States that staged a welcome home parade and celebration for the returning soldiers, is once again planning to let the nation know that at least one town appreciates what the veterans did for their country, according to the reunion organizers.

Members of the 101st Airborne Division, the city's adopted sons, are scheduled to march in the Independence Day parade in Redwood City at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, city officials announced.

A community picnic at Central Park and a reception for all veterans at Villa Chartier is also scheduled for Saturday. Sunday's celebration begins with a memorial ceremony at the National Cemetery in San Bruno.

A band review and military show at Bay Meadows race track will feature hot air balloons, helicopter rappelling demonstrations and an Air Force "mini-jet" display.

Music coming

The DYA is planning classes in piano and music appreciation for youths. Interested persons should contact Pam Kamatani at 387-6550 or call the DYA director at 561-5143.

Creative Cottage

The Creative Cottage, Bldg. 558, will be closed the month of July. It will reopen Aug. 11. Hours will remain the same: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 11 a.m.-3:30 p.m., and the first Saturday of every month, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Soldiers, dependents and civilians working on Presidio are urged to bring in their original handmade items for the fall season.

Contest set

Presidians are being invited to enter the 1982 Voting Slogan Contest.

The winning entry of the contest will become the key voting slogan to encourage more U. S. citizens to take part in their country's election process. The slogan will appear on voting information materials to be distributed throughout U. S. government and private industry worldwide.

Although the 1982 general election is more than a year and a half away, voting officials hope the slogan will help people start thinking now about voting.

Entries should be messages to inspire people to vote. The 1980 winning slogan was "You're a voter only if you vote... be a voter." Other slogans of past years include "Your vote is your voice... say something," "Participate in America... vote," and "Take time for America... vote."



Photo of the Week

Sgt. Bill Gibb won Photo of the Week honors with this shot entitled, "Lady of Old." Gibb's photo will go on to face other weekly winners in a quarterly competition. If you

have a photograph you would like to enter, drop it by our newsroom in building 37, Room 214.

The contest winner will receive a certificate of recognition from the Department of Defense. Persons may enter as many slogans as they desire. Artwork may be submitted with the entries but isn't necessary to win.

Servicemembers and their families as well as U. S. citizens overseas are invited to take part in the contest.

Contest entries should be sent to the Federal Voting Assistance Program, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Room 1B-457, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C. 20301. Full name and complete mailing address must be included. For more information call Capt. Lorraine Dubia at ext. 3601.

Info on hand

The Army Community Service has compiled information on off-post childcare, day camps, events, activities classes for children this summer. Stop by bldg. 214 for more information.

History group to converge on post this weekend

More than 30 members of the Historical Reserve of the California State Military Reserve will be on post on Saturday and Sunday as part of a regular series of training and familiarization meetings.

The contingent, meeting at the Presidio, is part of the more than 300 volunteer member State Military Reserve, an official part of the California National Guard.

The Historical Reserve operates statewide assisting the active Army by public appearances in local, regional and state-wide community relations activities. Most recently, the group appeared at San Francisco's Pier 39 on Armed Forces Day,

May 16, displaying antique military vehicles complete with weapons displays.

The Historical Reserve has been in existence since 1976, reactivated as part of the nation's bicentennial activities. Members of the State Military Reserve receive no pay or expenses for their activities but do so out of a sense of moral commitment to the community, according to Colonel Stanley Grogan, deputy commander of the Historical Reserve.

Grogan indicates that to be a member in full standing, individuals are required to give at least 100 hours annually to the Historical Reserve.

As part of the group's meeting on post, two members who have given much time and effort to the Reserve will be honored during Saturday evening's ceremonies at the Officers' Club. Col. Richard Spear, an Oakland attorney, and CSM Alexander Holuk, who is retired from the Air Force, will be presented with the California Medal of Merit, the second highest award given by the State of California.

More information concerning membership in the State Military Reserve may be obtained by writing to: Headquarters, State Military Reserve, ATTN: CASR, 2829 Watt Avenue—PO Box 214405, Sacramento, CA 95821.

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photo by Robert McKenzie

Bonnie McKenzie wanders through Saturday's crowd in search of stray trash.

A crowd of 150,000 flocked to Crissy Field

An estimated 150,000 packed the Presidio and Ft. Baker Saturday as Independence Day activities were held at Crissy Field.

The day officially started at 2:30 p.m. with a 50 gun "salute to the Union" rendered by an honor battery from the 504th MP Battalion.

Members of the Presidio Parent-Youth Club were out in force both Saturday and Sunday.

Throughout the day Saturday, the youths and parents manned a food booth and cleaned up bottles and cans from the Crissy Field area.

Sunday, the club members returned for a final cleaning.

In all, their efforts raised more than \$1000 for post youth activities.

(See related stories on pages 2 and 3.)

Forms available

Post officials warn drivers about fees

Most federal employees and military personnel assigned to the Presidio consider the paying of fees to park here a closed issue but according to the headquarters commandant, the dispute is far from over.

In a recent message to all federal employees, Maj. Michael Linnane, headquarters commandant and installation parking coordinator, not only explained the suspension of paid parking and outlined procedures for repayment for those who paid fees beginning in November 1979, but he also warned that paid parking could be reinstituted and at a much higher rate.

Linnane cited a recent Army message which explained that the indefinite suspension of paid parking was by order of a U. S. district court judge. It said, "The court order suspending the collection of parking fees resulted from a lawsuit brought against the federal government by two government employees' unions." It was the findings of the court that collecting fees to park on government property was illegal.

However, the lawsuit remains pending and is being appealed by the government to a higher court. DA officials say the results of the appeal is what will determine whether or not federal employees who paid to park will get their money refunded or may even begin to pay again.

According to the message, "If the U. S. District Court's decisions that the pay-to-park policy is illegal does not get overturned by the pending appeal, all federal employees who

paid to park will receive repayment from the government."

However, officials caution, should the government win its appeal "it is possible that the pay-to-park policy may begin again."

Should this occur, they say, there may also be a significant increase in the rates for parking fees.

In a more terse statement, DA officials indicate that there is a possibility for the government to seek the collection of back fees for the period the injunction was in effect. "That is, if the government wins its appeal, is so inclined to collect back fees and can devise an equitable way to do it," Linnane explains.

Even though the higher court has not yet acted upon the appeal, Linnane wants those who feel they are qualified for repayment or parking fees to complete a claim form. "The claim forms are attached to the notice being distributed to all federal employees," he says.

"Completed forms will be retained by my office until the final decision is made," explains Linnane. He says by completing the claims forms now, monies owed those qualified for repayment would be paid more rapidly should the court's decision be upheld.

Linnane cautions that the message he received is neither an appeal nor a refund projection. "All I am doing is explaining the situation, outlining the possibilities and developing a registration procedure for claims depending upon the appeal," he says.

Pair busted, face charges

Two civilians are facing misdemeanor charges this week as a result of an argument during Fourth of July celebrations at Crissy Field Saturday.

The pair, both Bay Area 26-year-old males, were arrested Saturday at approximately 5 p.m. after their argument erupted into a fight, according to Maj. Charles Taylor, post deputy provost marshal.

The suspects had allegedly been arguing over a cigarette when one man stabbed the other with a screwdriver. The second man then supposedly retaliated by biting the other man's nose off, says Taylor.

The case has been turned over to the FBI for further handling while the pair continue hearings before a federal magistrate on charges of mayhem.

Opinion

Commentary

Anybody want to buy a used truck?

by K. Douglas Cook

Got a call from my buddy O'Roon last evening. Just about as angry as anyone could be, O'Roon was stuck on the Golden Gate Bridge without the proper fare.

"Well," said I, "why don't you just leave them your embroidered hip flask for a deposit?"

"Can I do that???" asked O'Roon.

"Beats me... but it sounds like a good idea!" I replied, quickly hanging up the phone.

Later I hear from my pal O'Roon who is absolutely amazed. Seems as though the hip flask was accepted as hostage until the proper fare is paid.

Fascinated, I stopped by the bridge office and, would you believe this folks, those people actually do take all manner of stuff when you come up short of cash at the toll booth.

Let's see, you can leave watches, radios, rings (a popular item, it seems), silverware, books, motor oil (in the can, please) and even your set of dentures!

According to the keepers of the gate, they won't accept uncanned food, clothing or illegal things like drugs.

Well, this set me to thinking about a problem the Army has had for years. When something wears out, like a desk, chair, carpet, jeep or tank, we either have it refurbished or sell it off at the local property disposal yard.

Now, we have a great number of people who live across the channel in "Marvey Marin." The Army plunks down a pretty penny to get these folks across the bridge every day and I'm sure it adds up over the years.

Why don't we just start trading our obsolete stuff for passage across the Golden Gate Bridge? Obviously the bridge folks are willing to go along with the idea. If they'll take a set of false choppers, they should be thrilled to get a slightly-used 1/4 ton jeep!

"How are we going to break the news to the Pentagon that the Golden Gate Bridge District has become the fourth best equipped army in the world!"

Here's a plan. We take all our trading stuff over to Fort Baker and drop it off in a central location, like a very, very big parking lot. Each day, before crossing the bridge, our people just swing by the lot and get an item. Yep, just grab an old swivel chair, toss it in the back seat and head on out for the toll booth!

We could even have other posts send their stuff to us in barges. In a few months, we'd probably have enough collected to pay tolls for the next 50 years!

There's only one small problem. If we aren't careful about what we trade for tolls, how are we going to break the news to the Pentagon that the Golden Gate Bridge District has become the fourth best equipped Army in the world! What the heck,

if that happens, we'll just invite them to join NATO, offer them foreign aid and send in the advisors.

In no time, they'll be begging us to use their bridge... free of charge!



Photo by Jon Chelgren

On the shores of Lake Presidio?

Does Presidio have a new lake? That's what at least one soldier thought after sprinklers created "extremely soggy" conditions in front of building 37. Calls to post engineers

caused the errant sprinklers to be turned off, yet 20 minutes later the deluge sprang up again. The lake-like conditions appear regularly when the Sixth Army parade field is watered.

Letters

When will we get a new parking policy?

Dear Editor,

We are concerned about what policy has been implemented concerning reserved parking on post.

As of yet we have not heard of any decisions referring to the parking situation.

According to the April 2, *Star Presidian*, Major Vencill said, "The staffing of the new parking policy is to be completed this week and in regulation form before the middle of April." Well as you can see, we are already into July without a command decision. Unless he was possibly referring to an April in the distant future.

We feel that this is a very inconsiderate situation to those people making an honest effort to carpool and a total disregard to the few reserved spaces (notably at LAIR) not being available since they are already occupied by other non-car-pool vehicles. This blatant abuse also applies to the few handicapped spaces being utilized by anyone on the first arrival basis. Could this be because the spaces are improperly marked?

We have made a year long effort in these problem areas and have found an apathetic attitude of those in charge at this multi-million dollar medical complex to be noncommittal.

In closing, we would like to point

out another statement from the same issue of the *Star Presidian*—"Current DoD regulations make it mandatory for parking spaces to be reserved for handicapped and car and van pool vehicles." So when is such to be enforced?

Richard J. Derr
Wendell G. Loss

According to the headquarters commandant's office, the parking policy is now nearly complete and ready to be published.

However, a new Department of the Army regulation was received just this week and publication of the post policy will have to wait until the DA reg can be screened to ensure that the Presidio is in compliance.

Regardless of that policy, however, post MPs will still enforce the handicapped parking rules which require cars to display a handicapped emblem to use those spots.

Should you feel that that policy is not being enforced, we suggest you contact the post provost marshal at ext. 3912.

Thank you for your letter and the interest you have shown in the post's parking situation.

We hope to be bringing you word of the new post policy as early as next week.

The Editor

Star Presidian Hats off to white hats

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For most Presidians, the Fourth of July holiday represented a chance to relax and enjoy the holiday festivities.

But for more than 100 post MPs the weekend meant another duty day.

The only difference between this weekend and most days for the MPs was the fact that they had to control the influx of an estimated 150,000 visitors who came to the post to enjoy the festivities and fireworks display at Crissy Field Saturday.

That many people moving onto and off the post

presented the possibilities of a real traffic and crowd control nightmare, but with an imaginative traffic plan and the dedicated work of the MPs, the day went well and the traffic flowed smoothly.

Anyone who remembers the huge traffic jams last year can well appreciate the work of the MPs this year in clearing a mammoth crowd off the post in only one hour.

Given the size of the task, the Presidio and Bay Area communities should extend a great deal of thanks to our white hats for a job well done.



The 101st returned.

photo by Jimmie Ferguson

'I would fight again' says Vietnam vet

While the city's Fourth of July celebration raged at Crissy Field this weekend, San Mateo was busy with a celebration of its own in honor of Vietnam veterans.

Members of the 101st Air Assault Division flew in for the occasion. For the 101st it was a return trip. The unit was "adopted" by the city in 1968 and was featured then in a parade when they returned from Vietnam.

While in San Mateo, the 101st

relied on the Presidio and San Francisco District Recruiting Command for meals and other administrative support.

The weekend tribute include the parade Saturday and a Sunday morning memorial ceremony.

Perhaps the feelings of the vets who participated was best summed up by one who was quoted as saying, "After today, I wouldn't hesitate to go fight for my country again."



A student barber helps out the USO.

photo by Tim Dewar

'That's the fact, jack!'

by Tim Dewar

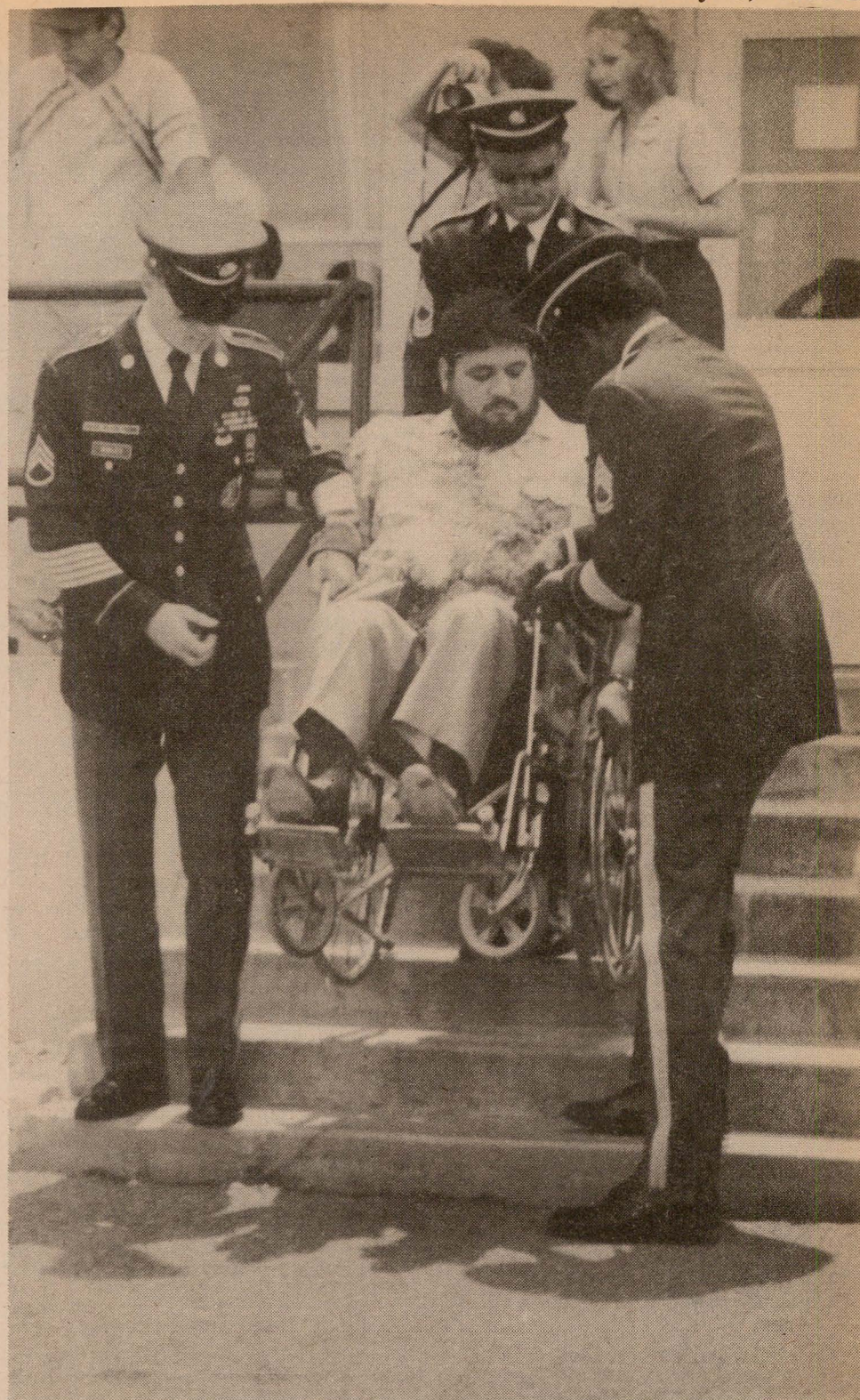
In what could be called "trimming profits," a movie company donated \$1 to the United Service Organization (USO) for each free haircut given by student barbers at Ghirardelli Square Monday afternoon.

Students and instructors from the San Francisco Barber College gave the haircuts to help Columbia Pictures celebrate the release of their new movie "Stripes."

"When the publicity people contacted me, I asked them to explain the movie to me," explains Samantha Yruegas, "They told me it was an Army picture and since we need the money, I said we would help."

"I guess since it is an Army movie, we were the most likely people picked to help them," she adds.

The haircut benefit resulted in a donation of \$400 from Columbia to the San Francisco USO.



A Vietnam vet gets a hand.

photo by Gil Hogue

Barracks too

Regulation to cut 'pot' use in offices

A new energy conservation regulation for the Presidio will eliminate most personal convenience appliances from offices and barracks rooms.

In a move to further cut Presidio's energy use, Col. F. Whitney Hall Jr., post commander, recently signed the regulation which requires approval from the Department of Facilities Engineers (DFE) to use appliances such as coffee pots and refrigerators.

"This regulation requires people to submit a request and receive approval from us before they use one of these appliances," explains Ed Crane, DFE deputy director.

DFE officials stated that the approval of coffee pots and refrigerators will be made on a case-by-case basis rather than by any set criteria.

Outlets and approval notices will be checked during regular fire inspections, Crane says, but engineer officials hope for voluntary cooperation.

"Hopefully we will get cooperation from people who will realize what we are trying to do," he says.

"It's not that we are trying to hassle anyone, but we can't continue to use energy the way we have," Crane continues.

"It's just like the cutting of the water cooler electrical cords. Some people may think we are doing this to make life here at the Presidio

unbearable, but that's not true at all. There is always an initial outcry, but after a while things settle down," he adds.

"Since refrigerators run almost 12 out of every 24 hours, they are our main target," Crane notes. "When people work around the cafeteria or someplace the vending truck stops, there is no reason to have a refrigerator in their office."

The savings from unneeded refrigerators alone is estimated by Crane to be more than \$1,500.

Shells missing

Military police and Bay Area law enforcement agencies are still searching for shells taken from the Fourth of July "Salute to the Union" Saturday afternoon at Crissy Field.

The shells which contain 1.2 pounds of explosive charges, were picked up by someone after the 504th MP Battalion battery had finished firing its 50-gun salute.

Maj. Charles Taylor, deputy provost marshal, notes that the problem arose after an estimated 4000 persons watched the battery perform the official kick-off to the day's festivities.

Despite the warnings about the dangers of the live shells, no one has come forward to return them to the MPs.

This bird really likes cats and dogs

by Tim Dewar

Cats and dogs taken to the Presidio veterinarian to be destroyed may have a second chance to be a "bird" here.

A full bird that is.

Col. Richard Blake and his wife, Sally Lou, take animals into their homes that have been given to a vet when they are no longer wanted.

"You can tell by all the barking that if you are not near the vet clinic you are near the Blakes," quips Mrs. Blake.

"We usually take in animals that are sick when they are brought in or are going to be put to sleep," she explains. "We don't give them up until we've found them a good home."

The Blakes started their pet haven as a result of their son's habit of bringing stray animals home.

"Our son got us started taking care of animals when he would bring home strays," Mrs. Blake says. "Then he went to college and suddenly it was all up to us."

After their son left, their first "boarders" were a group of orphan dogs, the Blakes explain.

"It all started with a litter of five mixed breed puppies who didn't have a mother," Col. Blake says. "and we

have probably taken care of more than two dozen animals since then."

Present clients include a feline which has brought along some additional residents.

"We have a cat now that was turned into the vet clinic to be destroyed," Col. Blake says. "She is only about eight months old and she was pregnant when she was given to us. Two months later she had two kittens. All three are doing fine now, but they were going to be destroyed."

In addition to the unwanted animals that they harbor, the Blakes have three cats and two dogs of their own. Their present version of "animal kingdom" totals six cats and four dogs.

"Even with all these animals we never have any problems telling our own from our foster animals," insists Blake. "Sometimes our own pets get their noses out of joint, so we just have to pamper them."

Whether caring for their own pets or someone else's, the Blakes are quick to stress that they only accept animals from the veterinarian and suggest that people take the proper steps to get rid of an animal.

"We don't want people leaving animals on our steps," Col. Blake says. "We're not vets. We're more like innkeepers."



The Blakes 'talk' with a boarder.

photo by Tim Dewar

Fund drive triples last year's donations

The 1981 Army Emergency Relief fund drive was the "most successful ever" conducted at the Presidio topping last year's total by more than 40 percent, according to AER officials.

Robert Nightingale, post AER officer, reports that with a few donations still expected to come in this month, the total should exceed \$42,000. This is an increase of over \$12,000 from last year's total, according to Nightingale.

The largest share of contributions came from the retired community in the Bay Area. This year, retirees accounted for \$29,000 or 70 percent of the total, according to Nightingale.

He added, "This represents an increase of \$5,000 in cash donations and clearly indicates the high level of involvement and concern which the retired community has for those who are still on active duty."

This was the first time that individuals have been able to utilize payroll deduction to make donations to AER. Over 75 percent of the active duty personnel who make contributions nearly tripled last year's donations. SFC Jesse Corley, project NCO, attributed the significant increase to "increased generosity, highly motivated project officers and the fact that payroll deduction was utilized for the first time

"The soldiers and Army civilians of the Presidio really dug down in their pockets to help soldiers in their time of need," said Col. F. Whitney Hall Jr., post commander.

"The response to the AER campaign was so overwhelmingly generous that the Presidio tripled last year's contribution," he continued. I congratulate and thank all Presidians for this effort."



Photo by Jon Chelgren

Recognize any of these bellies?

A chorus line launched the annual Finance and Accounting office picnic held last Thursday. The

chorus line, comprised of unidentified members of the office, drew large crowds as the troupe performed their routine on the Finance office porch.

Awards kicked back

by Bill Craig

Many recommendations for awards for Presidio soldiers are being improperly prepared and this is resulting in an increase in the number of awards which are downgraded or disapproved, say post officials.

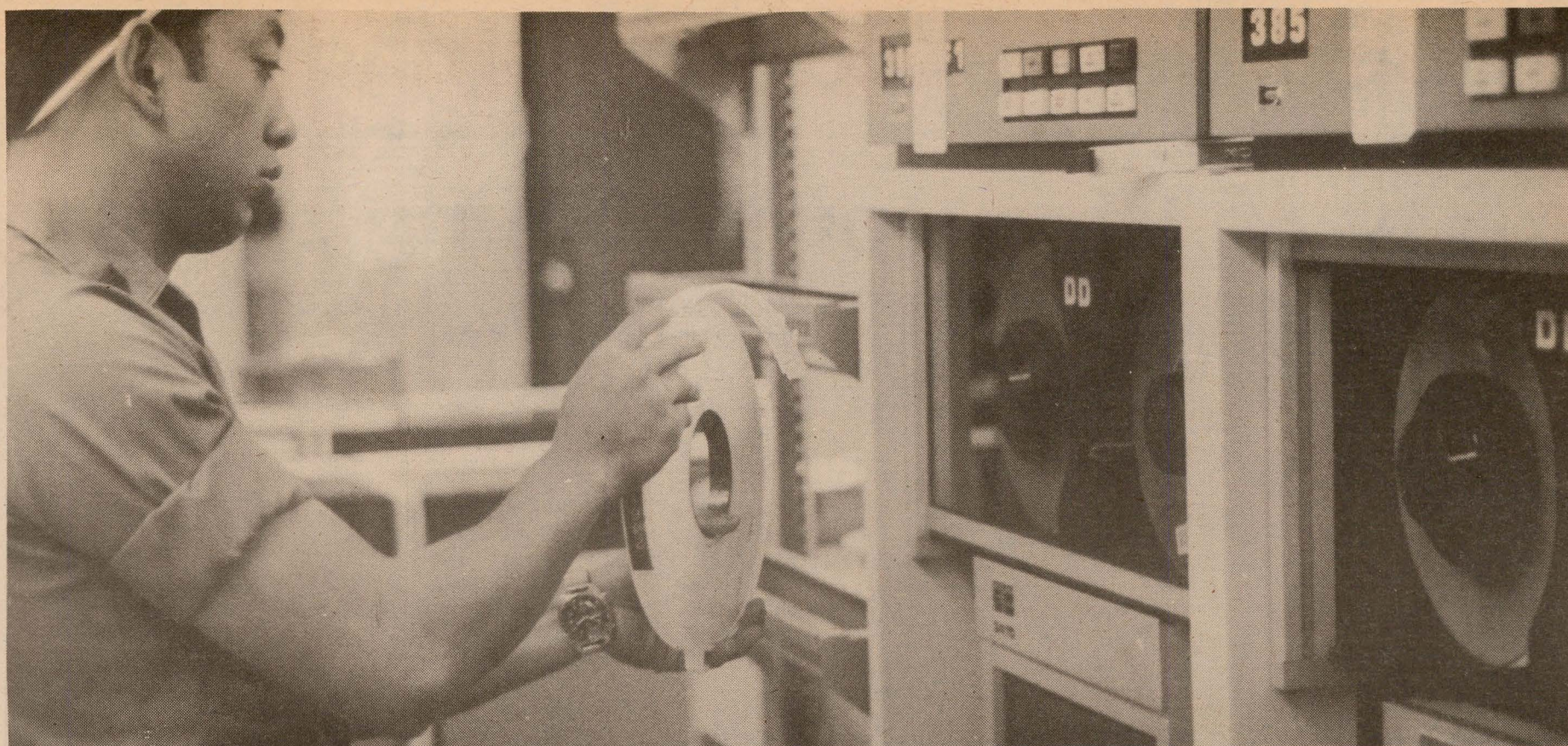
In a recent letter to commanders and directorates, Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., post commander, noted that the narrative portion is sometimes poorly written and does not support the award being recommended. Awards are also being submitted without the required record checks or with incomplete information.

The regulation on military awards calls for a short, simple and direct narrative which uses accurate information and straightforward language. The content of this narrative is evaluated by the military awards board and the commander. If it is not supportive of the award, the only options are to disapprove or downgrade it.

When preparing award recommendations, post officials say the initiator should consider such things as:

- What duties were performed that ordinarily would be performed by an individual of higher grade?
- Include some measure of the individual's effectiveness or efficiency.
- What were the personal accomplishments of the individual in the attainment of the goal?
- What recognition may have been provided by others for the same accomplishment?

In his message, Hall noted, "As supervisors and commanders, we have a responsibility to our subordinates to recognize them with appropriate awards. By paying more attention to the preparation phase we can improve the awards program and the morale of the recipient—the service member."



SSgt. Raymond Garrido changes computer tapes.

And the tapes keep going round and round

Story and photos by Tim Dewar

In today's world of space shuttles and automatic everythings, computers play an important part in today's lifestyle, and one Presidio organization knows this better than most.

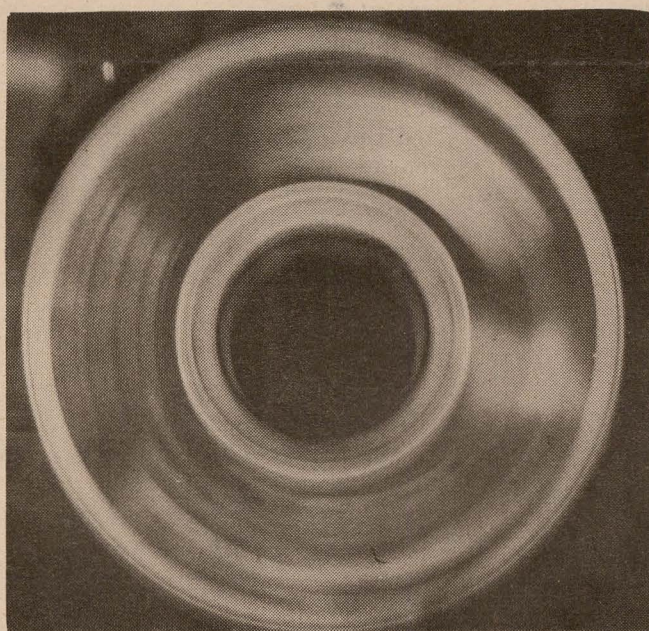
The Management Information Systems Office (MISO) is tasked with providing computer support to the Presidio and Sixth Army.

"We have 38 people working three

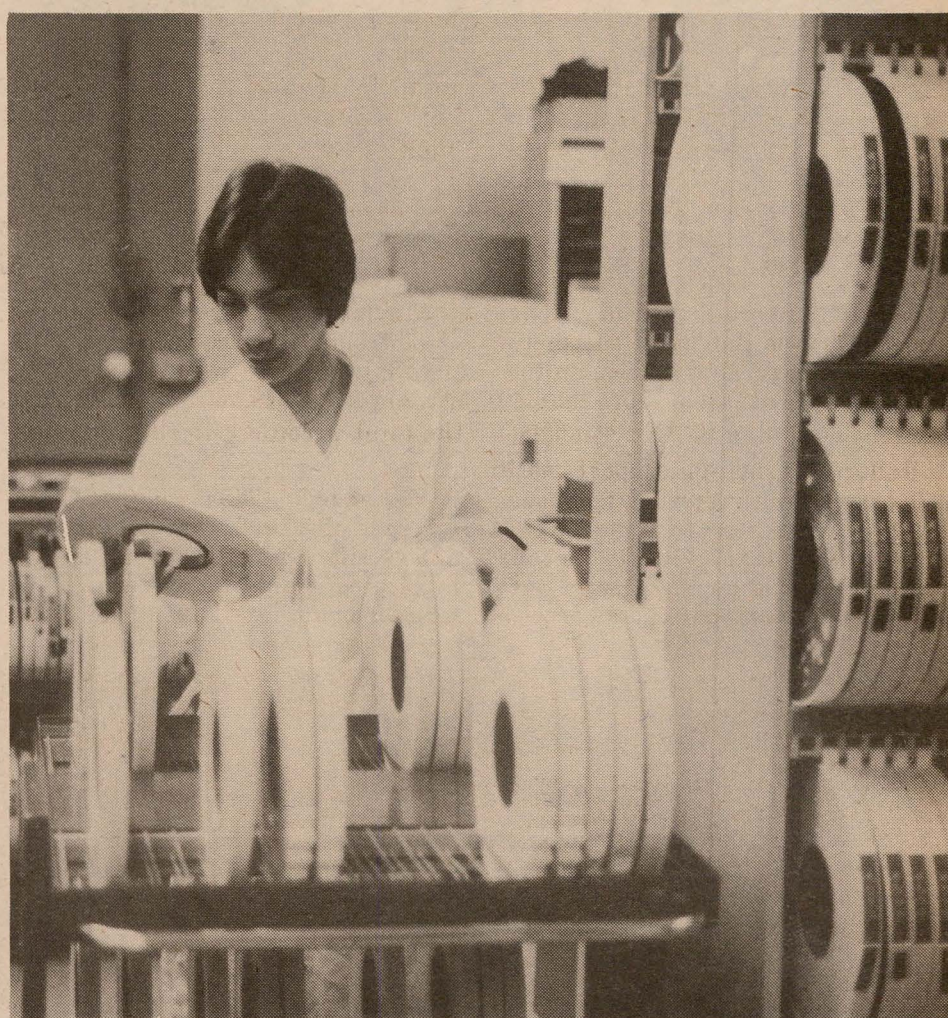
shifts, 24-hours-a-day, computing the load of computer printout sheets," explains Rudolph Recny, chief of computer operations for MISO.

"Most of these computers are 15-years-old and they cost more than \$4 million then," Recny states.

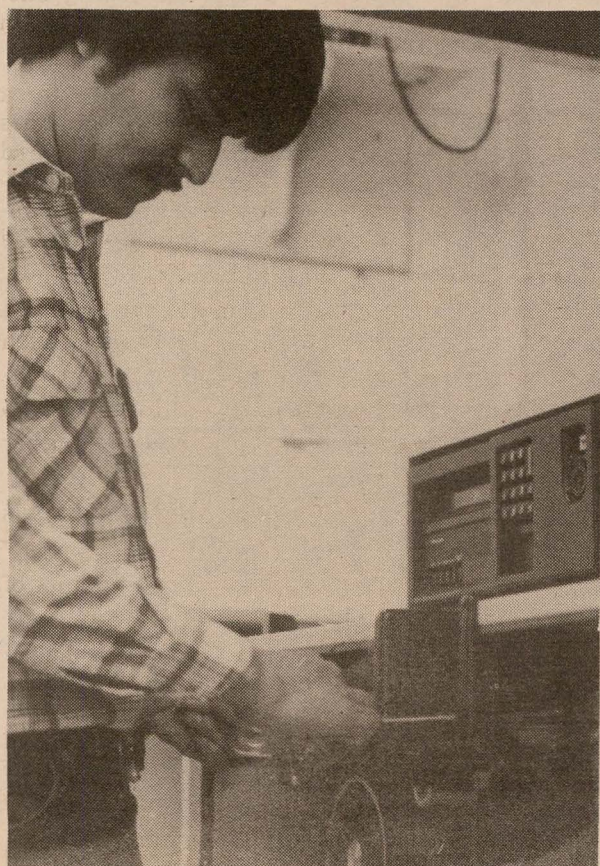
Despite the age of the equipment, folks at MISO seem to keep wheels—and tapes—spinning.



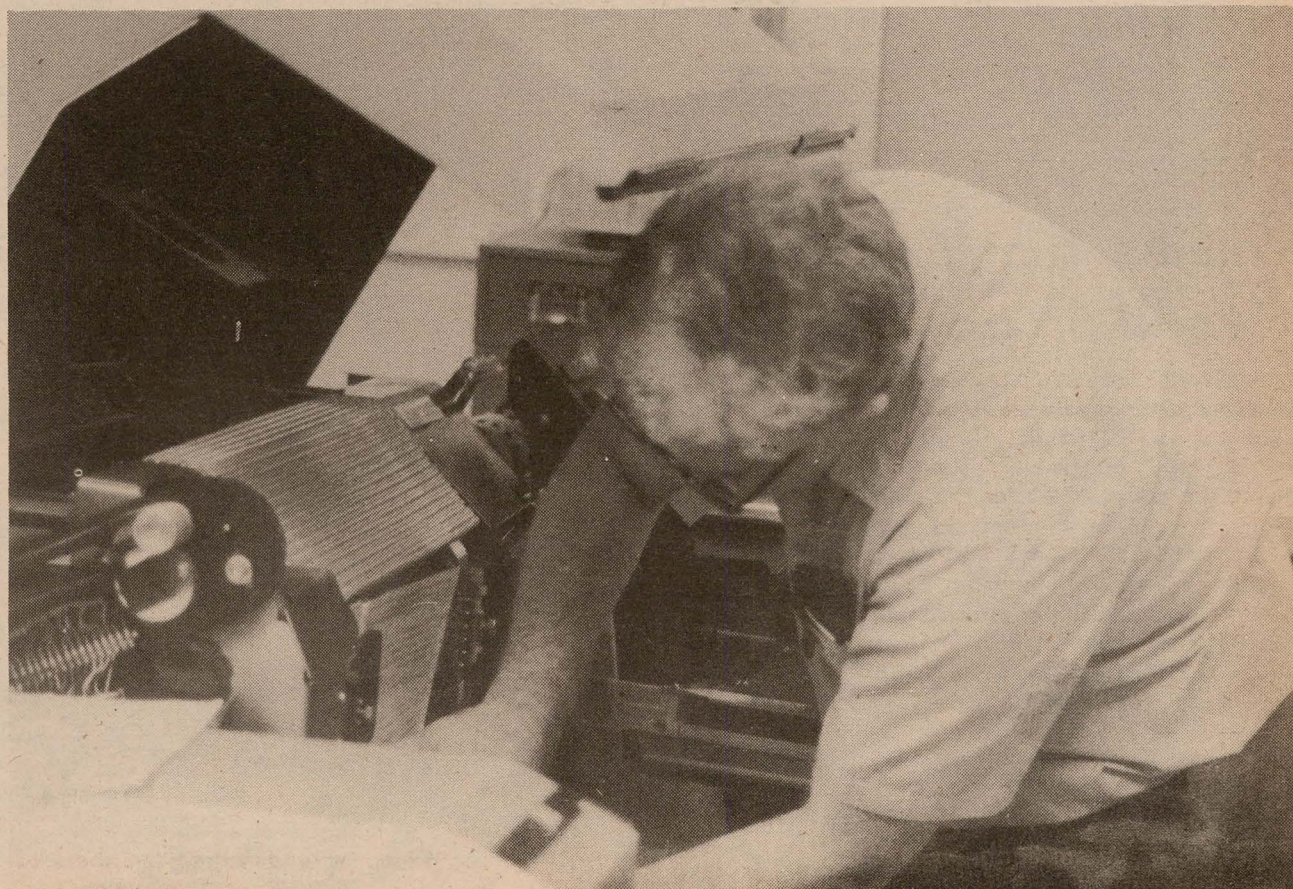
Tapes keep spinning.



Ryan Chun files tapes.



Kenneth King loads a microfiche machine.



Sidney Ruvkun loads more paper.

Time to spare

Variety of trips, tours coming soon



At the end of his rope

Star Presidian file photo

The Outdoor Recreation Center will be offering a mountaineering school if there is sufficient interest. Plans call for professional climbers to conduct instruction in two one-day and weekend excursions in August and September. Transportation, instruction and equipment would be included for an estimated \$175 cost. For more information call ext. 4324/4356.

Mount Tam Hike—A day hike to Mount Tamalpais is scheduled for July 12. The \$2 cost includes transportation, a guide and equipment. Contact the Outdoor Recreation Center before July 10 to sign up for the trip.

Water ski weekend—Outdoor recreation is sponsoring a water ski weekend at South Lake Tahoe July 24-26. The cost is \$40 which includes transportation, equipment, use of the ski boat, food and lodging. Sign-up deadline for the trip is July 17.

Gold Panning Expedition—The Yuba River will be the site of gold panning expeditions July 31 and Aug. 2. For \$20 the Outdoor Recreation Center will provide transportation, equipment and instruction. The trip concludes with a tour of the Malakof Diggings State Historic Park. Sign up deadline for the trip is July 24.

White water trip—The Outdoor Rec center is planning a water raft trip on the American River Aug. 28-30. The \$110 per person cost includes transportation, camping and rafting equipment, instruction, guides and meals. A \$30 deposit is required upon sign-up. Full payment is due July 24.

Rec Center News—

Presidio modern western square dance group meets every Thursday at 7 p.m. at the Community Center.

Computer classes meet every Monday at 7 p.m. at the Rec. Center.

Hank's pool instruction is held every Thursday at 7 p.m. at the Rec. Center.

On Saturday the Recreation Center will present "Computerama" at 2 p.m. This program will show various recreational and practical uses of computers in recreation centers. Fred Hall, inventor, author, engineer and computer specialist, has coordinated this entertaining and educational program.

All members of the Presidio community are cordially invited to this spectacular event. No previous knowledge of computers is necessary to enjoy this program.

The Recreation Center will be closed every Tuesday and Wednesday in July and August.

For additional information concerning activities, please call ext. 2000. Ticket sales and distribution of discount coupons are available after 4 p.m.

At the movies

Presidio Theater

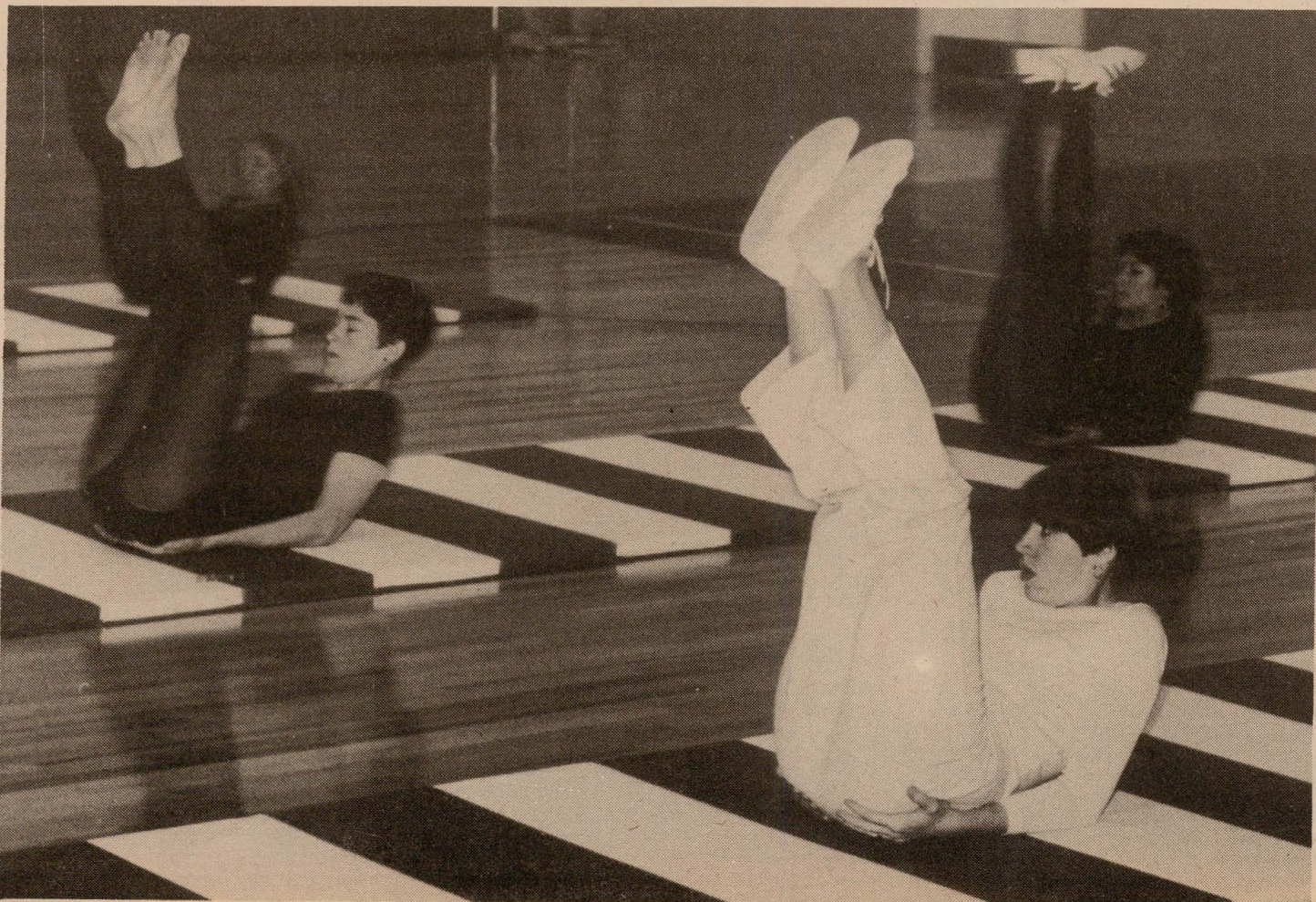
July 9	Hardly Working (PG)	7 p.m.
July 10	Hardly Working (PG)	7 p.m.
July 11	Sinbad and Eye of the Tiger (G)	2 p.m.
July 12	Friday the 13th, Part II (R)	7 p.m.
July 13	Friday the 13th, Part II (R)	7 p.m.
July 14	The Man Who Saw Tomorrow (PG)	7 p.m.
July 15	Honeysuckle Rose (PG)	7 p.m.
July 16	Blazing Saddles (R)	7 p.m.
July 17	Blazing Saddles (R)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

July 9	Fort Apache, The Bronx (R)	7 p.m.
July 10	Back Roads (R)	7 p.m.
July 13	Hardly Working (PG)	7 p.m.
July 14	Going Ape (PG)	7 p.m.
July 15	Friday The 13th Part II (R)	7 p.m.
July 16	The Man Who Saw Tomorrow (PG)	7 p.m.
July 17	Honeysuckle Rose (PG)	7 p.m.

Trimmer tummies offered on post

Adult womens fitness classes will be offered at post gym No. 2, bldg 1152, on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning Tuesday and continuing for four weeks. The cost is \$20 for the eight lessons. Times for beginners classes will be 4:30-5:30 p.m., and intermediate classes will be from 5:30-6:30 p.m. For additional information, contact De Hill-May at 584-2518 or the Sports Office at ext. 4120/5032.



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Sports



Follow the bouncing ball

photo by Tim Dewar

Ernie Feibush demonstrates the 'head shot' to a group of post youngsters. More than 60 youths are now receiving instruction during a soccer camp at Paul Goode Field.

USAG knocks LAIR off top intramural rung

LAIR No. 1, the last of the unbeaten teams in the Presidio intramural program was finally knocked off the top rung of the ladder in the Presidio League by USAG 6-5 in a battle that went into extra innings.

USAG scored their initial three runs in the bottom of the first inning on lead off batter Arthur Britton's single, a walk to Larry Parker, a double by Michael Coatney and a basehit by Lep Tei.

LAIR narrowed the gap 3-2 in the fourth inning, scoring two runs, before they forged ahead 5-4 in the sixth inning.

Trailing in the final half of the seventh inning, USAG's Sal Siania blasted a triple and scored on Coatney's fourth hit of the game to send it into extra innings.

USAG's winning tally came in the eighth inning when LAIR allowed Britton base on an error. He later scored on George Purnell's double.

Sixth Army, 3—Doctors, 1

The Doctor's drew first blood in the second inning scoring a run on two base hits, and then were held scoreless by Sixth Army in a game that featured many fine defensive plays by the leaders of the Fort Scott League.

Doctors and USAG head tourney action

It took 25 innings of the best softball played on the Presidio this season to determine the finalists in the Fourth of July holiday tournament played at the Fort Scott Fields.

The first semi-final game featured USAG and B Co, LAMC in a match-up that went 11 innings before USAG could muster another run and then hold on for the win.

Throughout the game sparkling defensive plays by shortstop Steve Burton of LAMC and outfielder Michael Coatney of USAG, kept their respective teams in the game.

The winning tally came in the 11th inning after Arthur Britton got his second hit of the game and scored on Glenn Turner's basehit to move USAG ahead 7-6.

B Co, LAMC's last efforts went fruitless as speedsters Coatney and Turner chased down fly balls hit to the outfield to advance USAG to a spot in the finals.

The second game saw the Doctors knock the high flying 864th Engineers into the consolation bracket after a hard fought 14-inning endeavor.

The Doctors gained the advantage in the first inning by scoring three runs on three hits with the big blow coming off the bat of Bill Zabicki to drive in two RBI's.

Chris White, started the rally with a base hit.

The 864th retaliated by scoring one run in their half of the inning as lead-off batter Mike Maupin blasted a triple and scored on Ronald Petersen's base hit.

The Doctors increased their lead to 4-2 after three innings and then fell

behind 5-4 when the 864th scored three big runs in the bottom of the fifth inning on a fielder's choice and three consecutive base hits by Petersen, Leo Pardo and Glenn McWilliams.

Everything looked like roses for the 864th until James Barkovick got his first hit in the seventh inning and scored to send the game into extra innings.

Nothing happened until the 10th inning when it looked like it was all over for the engineers as the Doctors collected three runs to go ahead 8-5.

Ron Cooper's double accounted for two RBI's for the Doctors.

The Engineers came brawling back and scored three runs to knot the score 8-8 on two doubles and a triple to continue the softball marathon.

It was not until the 14th inning that the Doctors gained the advantage for the third time when Barkovick crossed homeplate after getting his second hit of the game.

In the bottom of the 14th inning the Engineers failed to score as shortstop White ended the game by throwing out Tim South at first base to move the Doctors into the finals gainst USAG for the Fourth of July holiday championship.

Other Tournament Results

USAG, 4—LAIR, 3
Alameda, 4—864th Engrs, 1
LAMC, 11—Sixth Army, 2
Doctors, 3—Oakland, 2
Oakland 3—Sixth Army, 2
LAMC, 4—Doctors, 1
Alameda, 5—LAIR, 2
864th Engrs, 9—LAIR, 1
USAG, 16—Alameda, 6
Doctors, 19—Sixth Army, 4
Oakland, 3—LAMC, 1
864th Engrs, 12—USAG, 6

Hallett's homerun in the third inning to ruin Leo Pardo's shut-out.

Other game results for the week are as follows:

51st Engrs, 12—MSAD, 2
170th MP Co, 9—Coast Guard, 6
PHS, 10—MSC, LAMC, 5
864th Engrs, 7—MSAD, 0
Oakland, 10—170th MP, 9
Doctors, 3—MSC, LAMC, 2
Sixth Army, 9—51st Engrs, 0
PHS, 3—Coast Guard, 2
B Co, LAMC, 8—Inscm, 6
Four Seasons, 11—Attorneys, 8
LAIR No. 2, 9—USACC, 6
B Co, LAMC, 7—USACC, 2
Four Seasons, 7—LAIR No. 2, 1
USAG, 10—Inscm, 0

Softball Standings

FORT SCOTT LEAGUE

Team	W	L
Doctors	13	2
Sixth Army	12	2
864th Engrs	12	3
Oakland	11	4
PHS	8	7
170th MP	7	7
Coast Guard	4	11
51st Engrs	4	11
MSAD	2	13
MSC, LAMC	1	14

PRESIDIO LEAGUE

Team	W	L
LAIR, No. 1	13	1
B Co, LAMC	14	2
USAG	13	3
Four Seasons	12	4
Inscm	7	6
Attorneys	7	8
LAIR No. 2	3	13
USACC	2	14

Sixth Army tied the score in the fifth inning and then scored two additional runs in the seventh inning for the victory. Victor Hernandez led Sixth Army with two of the three runs.

864th, 12—Oakland, 1

864th Engineers gained sole possession of third place in the Fort Scott League as they annihilated Oakland 12-1, in a game the went only five innings.

The Engineers scored eight of their 12 runs in the second inning sending 12 batters to the plate.

Oakland's only run came on Mike

Moore takes post road race

The annual post road race championship was held recently over a flat and fast 4-mile course.

An extremely close battle took place on the men's side as Jimmie Moore edged out rival Reggie "Duck" Humdy 20:32 to 20:38 for first.

Jay Gerhig's set a sizzling pace out for the first mile to Fort Point with Moore and Humdy shadowing him. Gehrig ran out of gas at three miles as Moore slowly opened a lead and held on to the finish.

Moore and Humdy placed 1-2 in the Submasters 30-39 age group.

Leading the open, 29 and younger, was Gerhig (21:02) over Rick Bradley (21:44).

In the masters division, 40 and up, Ron Lewis edged out Fredrick Bruhn 25:35 to 25:51.

Leading the female was Linda Wettstein who zoomed to a ninth finish over all with a 24:56 finish. Rhonda Scott finished second at 26:40.

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Photo of the Week

Jeannette Savell took Photo of the Week honors for her print entitled, "Heavenly Flight." Her photo now goes on to face other weekly winners in a

quarterly competition. If you have a print you would like to enter, drop it by our newsroom in building 37, room 214.

Post team runs

The post's first running team ventured to Stanford University recently for the Regional Corporate Cup Relays Championship.

The team is comprised of 18 top men and women runners on post and is led by coaches Jimmie Moore and Bob Darling.

The two-day competition offered road races in addition to relays for men, women, and combined teams.

The womens 5-kilometer race saw Linda Wettstein place 10th against a strong field. Other Presidians finished close together were Eileen Mahoney, Maria Alago and Eva Bargada. This was the first race ever for Alago and Bargada.

In the relays Pete Christ showed his speed and blitzed many opponents with a strong kick. He teamed with

Jim Moore in the 3000 meter team race and placed third.

In the one-mile team race, Bob Darling and Christ placed fourth. Christ ran 4:22.9 in the finals.

Bob Darling, Reggie Humdy, Jim Moore, Ragnar Thanning and Harvey Shields teamed up for a fifth place finish in the open relay.

Wettstein, Olive McFarland, Harvey Shields, Leonard Miller and M.J. Williams went on to take seventh in the pyramid relay.

Wettstein, Williams and Rhonda Scott also placed third in the women's relay.

In the 800 meter team relay, Wettstein cranked out a personal record of 2:35 and followed closely by William's 2:37 for a third place finish.

The team placed seventh overall in their first venture.

Concert coming

The Sixth Army Band will present a "musical calvacade" at the LAIR Auditorium July 21 at 7:30 p.m. The concert is free of charge.

Contest set

Presidians are being invited to enter the 1982 Voting Slogan Contest.

The winning entry of the contest will become the key voting slogan to encourage more U. S. citizens to take part in their country's election process. The slogan will appear on voting information materials to be distributed throughout U.S. government and private industry worldwide.

Although the 1982 general election is more than a year and a half away, voting officials hope the slogan will help people start thinking now about voting.

Entries should be messages to

inspire people to vote. The 1980 winning slogan was "You're a voter only if you vote... be a voter." Other slogans of past years include "Your vote is your voice... say something," "Participate in America... vote," and "Take time for America... vote."

Creative Cottage

The Creative Cottage, Bldg. 558, will be closed the month of July. It will reopen Aug. 11. Hours will remain the same: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 11 a.m.-3:30 p.m., and the first Saturday of every month, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Soldiers, dependents and civilians working on Presidio are urged to bring in their original handmade items for the fall season.

Volunteers sought

The Red Cross at Letterman needs volunteers in clinics, the library, information desk, case aide and office personnel. If interested please call Mrs. Morrow at ext. 2187.

That's a mighty big scratchpad

Members of the post police pitched in during last Thursday's world's largest poster record try by a terminally ill Livermore woman. Maxine Plastino's 9300 square-foot poster stayed on the parade field for an hour in her successful bid to get into the Guinness Book of World Records.



photo by Jon Chelgren

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A final salute

Lt. Gen. Hall, commander, Sixth U.S. Army, reviews Presidio troops for the final time during his retirement ceremony, Friday, at the post parade ground. The event

marked the conclusion of a distinguished 35 year career, which spanned five decades. See story and photos on page 3.

Sixth Army Deputy CG to assume duties

Maj. Gen. Kenneth E. Dohleman assumes duties as Deputy Commander of the Sixth U.S. Army and Commander of Army Readiness and Mobilization Region IX, in ceremonies today at the post parade ground. He succeeds Maj. Gen. Charles R. Sniffin, who retired from military service June 30.

He has been Chief of Staff, Eighth U.S. Army and U.S. Forces, Korea, since July 1979. Dohleman was born Sept. 16, 1926, in Pontiac, Ill. and he is a graduate of the University of Omaha with a degree in political science. He received his military commission through Infantry Officer Candidate School. His military education includes graduation from the Army War College.

Among his many military assignments have been tours of duty as Assistant Division Commander, 2d Infantry Division, Korea; Director of Human Resources Development, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel, Department of Army, Washington, D.C., and Commanding General of the Military District of Washington.

The President has announced the nomination of Major General David E. Grange, Jr. for command of Sixth U.S. Army, headquartered at Presidio of San Francisco, CA, and for promotion to lieutenant general. The nomination has been sent to the U.S. Senate for confirmation.

General Grange will succeed Lieutenant General Charles M. Hall, Sixth U.S. Army Commander, who will retire from the Army on July 31.

National P.O.W.-M.I.A. recognition day tomorrow

President Reagan has proclaimed tomorrow as the first annual National P.O.W.-M.I.A. Recognition Day to honor America's prisoners of war and those missing in action. The proclamation reads:

"Throughout American history our prisoners of war have been called upon to make uncommon sacrifices. In fulfilling their duty as citizens of the United States they have defended American ideals while suffering unimaginable indignities under the absolute control of the enemy. They remain steadfast even while their treatment contravened international understandings and violated elementary considerations of compassion and morality.

"All Americans ought to recognize the special debt we owe to our fellow citizens who, in the act of serving our nation, relinquished their freedom that we might enjoy the blessings of peace and liberty. Likewise, we must remember the unresolved casualties of war—our servicemen who are still missing. The pain and bitterness of war endure for their families, relatives and friends—

and for all of us. Our nation will continue to seek answers to the many questions that remain about their fate.

"Now, therefore, I, Ronald Reagan, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim Friday, July 17, 1981, as National P.O.W.-M.I.A. Recognition Day, a day dedicated to all former American prisoners of war, to those still missing, and to their families. I urge all Americans to join in honoring those who made the uncommon sacrifice of being held captive in war, and to honor as well their loved ones who have also suffered valiantly and patiently. I also call on appropriate officials of the federal, state and local governments, as well as private organizations, to observe this day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

"In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this twelfth day of June, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty-one, and of the independence of the United States of America the two hundred and fifth."

Color guard, band scheduled to take part

The Sixth Army Band and the Presidio Color Guard will take part in the Northern California commemoration of National P.O.W.-M.I.A. Recognition Day tomorrow at 2 p.m. in Martinez.

The event is being coordinated by the Regional office of the Veterans Administration in San Francisco. Several activities have been scheduled and Veterans Administration officials encourage everyone to attend.

Several former P.O.W.'s who now reside in Northern California will be guest speakers at the ceremony. They include men who served during WWII, Korea and Vietnam.

The location for the event will be the Veterans Administration Medical Center at 150 Muir Road in Martinez.

Opinion

New perfume scent raising a stink

by K. Douglas Cook

Awww, now wait a minute, folks! Have you heard about the latest thing to hit the world of romance and (cover your eye's, Norma) sex appeal?

Now you and I have been meeting here regularly for some time and together we have explored some pretty ridiculous things. We may not have always agreed, but at least we haven't just sat back and taken root in numbness.

This latest piece of "humpidity" (that's my new word for human stupidity) to catch my eye is a perfume. You might think I'm making this up, but I'm not! This new perfume is named "Andron."

The company which is putting this stuff on the market is shelling out some \$6 million to promote this odor. Okay, what's the big deal? According to the makers of this smell, Andron is

"capable of triggering intense magnetic reactions."

To the point, dear friends. The basic smell of this new delight is nothing other than... oh dear, how to say it delicately... sweat! That's right—perspiration, body odor—Yuuuccchhh!!!

Well, this company is the very same which started the rage over Musk Oil. I've never understood why the oil of a musk would be something anyone would want to place on the nicer parts of their body. Have you ever smelled a musk ox? Have you ever smelled a wet musk ox?

Picture yourself locked in an airtight room with all the running shoes used in the Bay To Breakers race. Now you get the idea of what I'm telling you!

In case you're as slow on the uptake as I am at times, the whole idea behind this new perfume is S-E-X. Yep, you slap some of this "Scent de Sweat" on your cute little body and folks go crazy! At least so they say.

Well, I'm particularly sensitive to fragrances which are worn and I don't know if I'm ready to be trapped in the express elevator of the Bank of America building with someone who smells like a football jersey after four quarters of play!

I can hear myself now. "Ahhh, my dear, you smell so... ah... ah... natural. Like you just went 10 rounds with Sugar Ray!"

Okay, it's crazy time.

Why not carry this humpidity to

its natural conclusion. For those of you who get all revved up over cars, we'll create a perfume for you, "Scent of Grease Rack."

For those among you who really are into watching television, here's "Essence of Picture Tube."

I wouldn't dream of forgetting those of you who are into weapons and making holes in paper at 25 meters. For you, "Fragrance of Gun Powder."

I like money. No... I really enjoy money. Little money, big money, old money, new money, crumpled, crinkled, any kind of money. For those of you with me, let's ask for our own smell, "Eau de Wealth!"

And for the crazies who are about to sell you a bottle of sweat for \$8 an ounce, "Scent of Sicko!"

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German class

A German Headstart Class will be offered from July 29 to September 30 at the Ft. Scott Education Center for military personnel, dependents and civilians on orders or alerted for duty in Germany.

Students enrolling in class will have the opportunity to learn practical German to be able to ask directions, order a meal, exchange dollars and much more. This class will be offered Monday and Wednesday from 6-8 p.m. at Bldg. 1216. For more information or to enroll, please call ext. 2974 or 4445.

Auto warning

Before personnel ship a 1981 automobile overseas, manufacturers warn to check on the effects of using leaded fuels in them. Also the capability to remove and reinstall emission control systems and costs involved should be determined.

Under the present Department of Defense (DoD) privately owned vehicles (POV) import control program, modification of pre-1981 models was no problem, because the emission control system or its components could be removed while leaded gasoline was used, and reinstalled later for use in the Continental United States (CONUS).

For some 1981 models however, the new emission control components cannot be removed and, if operated on leaded gasoline, must be replaced.

The components are expensive and the unit would need to be tested for compliance with Environmental Protection Agency regulations prior to operation on CONUS.



photo by Charles Taylor

Distaff veterans meet

The women's overseas Service League held their sixty-first national convention Sunday at the post chapel. The convention was held in commemoration of the American

women who have died in service during our nation's wars. Many of the 230 women who attended traveled from all over the United States to attend.

Take a hike

Forty lucky children between the ages 8-14 years will go hiking and picnicking at Point Reyes on July 25. Children should wear hiking or walking shoes, and should bring their lunch.

The bus will leave promptly at 10 a.m. from the parking lot in front of the Main Post Gymnasium. This is a free trip. For registration and more information call 561-4393.

Center moves

The learning resource center will be closed from Monday until July 24, for relocation. Beginning July 27, the Learning Resource Center will be located in Bldg. 1216, the Army Education Center. The new extensions for the center will be ext. 2974/3343.

Blood drive

The third quarterly All-Presidio Blood Drive coordination meeting will be held July 27, at 1:30 p.m. in the Sixth Army conference facility, Bldg. 35.

Directors, Chiefs of Special Staff, and unit commanders will send a representative to coordinate the drive for their activity. Tenant units are invited and strongly encouraged to send a representative.

Managers wanted

Here's your chance to become a club manager. The Army is looking for sergeants in the pay grades of E-5, E-6 and E-7 to fill openings in its club management career program.

Applicants must have less than 16 years service and previous experience in food service, business administration, or financial management. If accepted for the program, you will receive on-the-job training in a club manager position before attending the 9-week club management course at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind.

Following a three-to six-month probationary period, you will receive a primary military occupational specialty (PMOS) OOI. Training and education will continue throughout your career, with executive-level courses if you qualify.

If you are interested in this dynamic career field, contact your local personnel office for details.

Dog show

Dog owners between the ages of 4 and 14 can still register for the free Kids Dog Show to be held at the Josephine Randall Junior Museum on Wednesday, July 22, from 10 a.m. to noon. Entry blanks are available at the Junior Museum.

The Kids Dog Show is sponsored by the National Recreation and Park Association, Ken-L Ration and the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department. It aims to teach young dog owners the responsibilities of pet ownership. At the same time, the Show provides the opportunity for them to join in the fun of parading their pets and winning prizes.

Any dog may compete, regardless of breed, pedigree or professional training, provided it is at least six months old, is on a leash, and has had rabies shots. The judging categories include Best Behaved, Funniest, Best Trick, Smallest, Largest, Best Looking, and Best of Show.

Every entrant will be a winner. In addition to those receiving honors in one of the specific categories, each participant will receive a merit award ribbon and a Ken-L Ration dog care booklet.

Youngsters will practice responsible dog ownership at the Show itself. The Junior Museum is located at 199 Museum Way on Corona Heights. For more information, telephone 863-1399.

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Gen Hall says goodbye

by K. Douglas Cook

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Some 40 years ago, a young, Hawaii-born man took his physical examination for entrance to the U. S. Military Academy at Letterman Army Hospital here at the Presidio. Last Friday, that same man, with 35 years of dedicated service to country behind him, said farewell to the Presidio and the U. S. Army.

Lt. Gen. Charles M. Hall, outgoing commanding general of the Sixth U. S. Army, stood along the flourished flags and gathered throngs of well-wishes. Before him were assembled troops from the 504th Military Police Battalion, Letterman Army Medical Center, and the U. S. Army Garrison, Presidio of San Francisco.

The general's own Sixth Army Band honored him with many selections, including the march most associated with the "Long Gray Line" of West Point. The salute battery thundered in tribute. This was his retirement ceremony.

Host of the ceremony was Gen. Robert Shoemaker, commanding general, U. S. Forces Command (FORSCOM). With obvious respect and admiration, Shoemaker spoke of Hall's dedication to duty, honor, country.

Shoemaker also spoke of the Army's great loss. He said, "The rules say a man must go after 35 years of service. Maybe so. Maybe that's good as it allows for the growth of others but we now lose a man in the prime of his seasons, a man with vast and needed experience... a man with the knowledge for applying that experience."

Throughout the ceremony, the steady winds of the Presidio were present. And though they may have caused the colorful flags surrounding the ceremony area to snap and played havoc with the hair and hats of the hundreds who gathered to honor the departing general, they were not

strong enough to fade the sound and the meaning of Hall's parting words.

In a clear and steady voice, Hall spoke of his time in the Army and of his wife, Lolita, who he honored for her unflagging support of him and his career through both the good and the bad years. The pride and admiration in his voice for her and his five children were unmistakable.

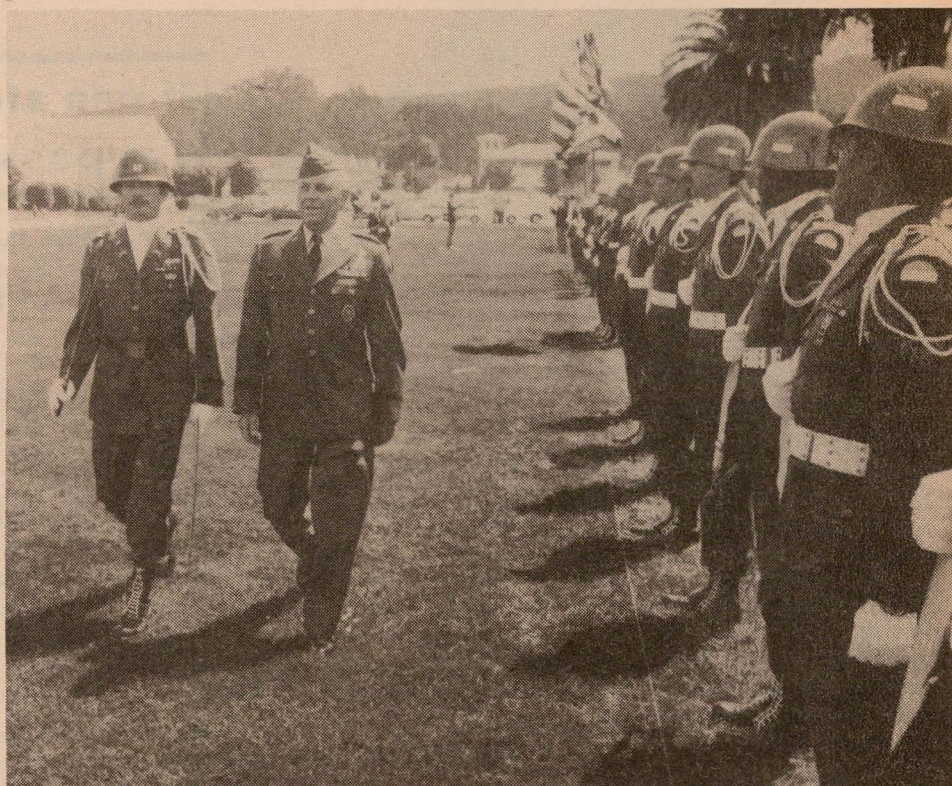
Hall was presented with a Distinguished Service Medal, first oak leaf, by Gen. Shoemaker. Mrs. Hall was given a dozen red roses by FORSCOM Soldier of the Year for 1980, Sp4 Joycelyn Atkins of the Sixth Army Secretary of the General Staff office. With a colorful, precisioned march in review by the troops and the final selections played by the Sixth Army Band, the ceremony drew to a close.

General Hall came to the Presidio and Sixth Army in February 1980, after serving as the Chief of Staff, FORSCOM At Ft. McPherson, Ga. When he arrived, he made it quite clear that he was a firm supporter of Gen. Shoemaker and his FORSCOM philosophies.

Shortly after his arrival, Hall held a briefing in the post theater and for the 600 members of the audience, he imparted some of his own philosophies. He began by saying, "I like what I see around here. Because things are good so good, I have no great plans to change the Sixth Army or to tell you how to run your business."

But he did make changes. He began by observing the way things were being done and ever so carefully, he made policy changes that helped both active and reserve component people embrace the total Army concept. Purpose of mission became clearly, more readily supported.

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One last look at Presidio troops.



Congratulations Dad!



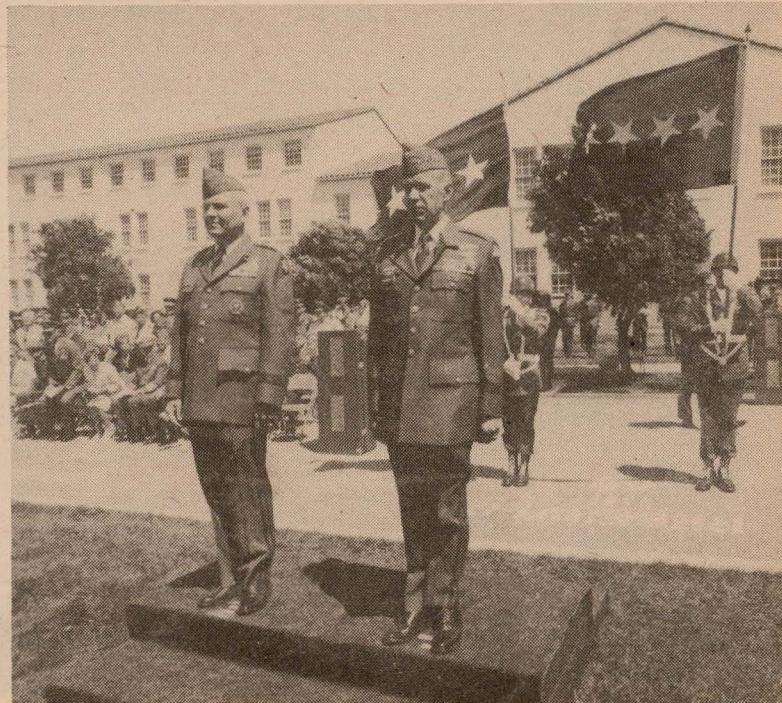
Mrs. Hall receives roses from Sp4 Atkins.



with the Secretary of Defense at the U. S. , Korean Security talks.



with Zsa Zsa Gabor at a dinner honoring Bob Hope.



General Shoemaker hosted the event.

Post echoes of the past

by K. Douglas Cook with Eric Saul

The stillness of the Presidio of San Francisco at night is interrupted only by the distant sounds of traffic and the soft creaking of aging buildings. The bone-chilling fog reaches its icy fingers into every nook and cranny.

With the slightest amount of imagination, one can hear and feel history. The crackle of a campfire as men speak softly in their native Spanish tongue, the sounds of horses struggling to move a cassinio into position, the scrap of spurs and the rattle of a saber in its scabbard.

Lusty campaign songs, a muted bugle and the cry of a baby just born. These and other echoes of history are present in the stillness of the Army's oldest, continuously-active post.

Present day soldiers sometimes wonder about the buildings they find at the Presidio. For some, it comes as a surprise that more than just a few span many wars and many periods of American history. Today, many of the same buildings which held the soldiers who fought in the Civil War now hold new soldiers who have yet to taste the sting of warfare.

The Presidio, a Spanish word for "walled fort," was established in 1776 as the last and most northern military outpost in California. It would mark the end of Spanish new world expansion in this area. By 1821, the Mexican Revolution had taken the Presidio into a new phase and placed a new flag over its small garrison.

Although it might be romantically portrayed today, the Presidio was not considered an ideal place of service. It was, by the accounts of those who served here, a desolate, barren and windswept place, both undermanned and of little military importance.

'If one stands very quietly and listens carefully, it is possible to hear the echoes of the past, . . .'

In 1846, a third flag was raised over the tiny Presidio. The growing United States of America had laid claim to San Francisco and its small military post. American soldiers found little to impress them, as the original adobe buildings had fallen into disrepair. From 1846 to 1861, when the Civil War boiled over on the eastern shores of this land, little was done to expand the post beyond temporary repairs.

Yet, the Civil War did breathe the first breath of life into the Presidio, now almost 100 years old. Fearing attack on the port of San Francisco by Confederate naval forces, which later proved to be groundless, the Army began construction of Forts Point and Alcatraz. It was these defense emplacements which gave continued life to the Presidio.

Today, residents and visitors alike admire the lush groves of trees and vegetation on the Presidio. Yet, few realize that these natural wonders were as a result of a post commander who, in 1882, ordered that the trees be planted and maintained. Apparently the Presidio's normal landscape had grown too tiresome for Maj. Gen. McDowell. Of note is that, in the 1870's the Army also planted the groves of trees now found in Golden Gate Park.

Remaining with the trees today are many of the buildings which tie the Presidio to its 19th Century roots, although one, building 50, now the Presidio Officers' Club, is said to contain portions of the original Spanish commander's quarters, dating back to 1776.

Some adobe bricks can be seen on display within the club, although the structure itself is more accurately described as a Spanish Mission Revival style, built by the Works Progress Administration (WPA) in the 1930's.

Among the oldest structures on the post are Buildings 2, 86 and 87. The latter two, 86 and 87, now in service as the center for the post's personnel services, were constructed in 1863 as single-story barracks. In the 1870's, a second story was added to each.

Temporary structures

Building 2, now the post museum, was also built in 1863 as the post hospital with a 60-bed capacity. For 110 years, until 1973, it served as a medical treatment facility. Of note is that it, like many other still-existing structures on the Presidio, was built of wood.

These were intended by the Army in the 1860's only to be temporary structures, good for a very limited time. Only when the Army authorized the use of brick in its buildings was any sense of permanence indicated on a post.

The officer's quarters located on Funston Avenue also came into being in 1863 as quarters for the officers of the 9th Infantry. The New England Cottage style supported the Army's "Universal Standard Plan" of post construction. The high peaked, sloped roofs were to prevent snow buildup which, in San Francisco, was hardly a consideration!



Funston Ave. homes in 1880, with cannon balls lining the street.

There exists a romantic notion, that, probably due to the design of the houses, the wood for construction came from "around the Horn." Actually, the wood came from across the bay, cut from former great stands of redwood trees once found in Marin County.

It took another war to seal the permanence of the Presidio as a military post. Up until 1895, some very serious thought was being given to closing the post. The Spanish-American War, coupled with the mission of supporting the "Army In The West," which included Indian pacification programs, signalled an abrupt change in thinking by the Army. The Presidio was to become the nation's "Gateway To The Pacific!"

In the later 1890's, the Montgomery Street Barracks, Buildings 100 through 105, were constructed of brick to house the various infantry regiments (approximately 650 troops per regiment) which would arrive at the Presidio. On the east side of Halleck Street, across from the current post headquarters, a massive brick quartermaster depot was constructed. Some of these warehouses remain today, serving entirely different functions.

Stepping back a moment, building 36, now the post Provost Marshal's office, began as an artillery barracks in the mid-1880's. It's appearance has changed little over the years.

Where 1981 soldiers find the Wells Fargo Bank and the post office, building 210, turn-of-the-century soldiers found the original post guard house. Again, basically unchanged in exterior appearance, the old jail was converted to its present uses in the mid-1930's.

The coastal artillery concept of the 1890's, in defense of the Golden Gate, brought more building to the Presidio. Fort Winfield Scott, built in a most untraditional backwards "J" configuration, was constructed to house the troops of the coastal artillery. Of note is that Ft. Scott was considered separate and apart from the Presidio back then.

Still hear the echoes

In 1914, Building 35 came into being when the Army decided to launch a massive public relations campaign using the anticipated Panama-Pacific International Exposition which was set to open in San Francisco in 1915.

An entire cavalry unit was housed with Building 35 and its assets were used to help build this exposition. As San Francisco rose from the ashes of the 1906 earthquake and fire in 1915, the Army was also there, as a most important partner.

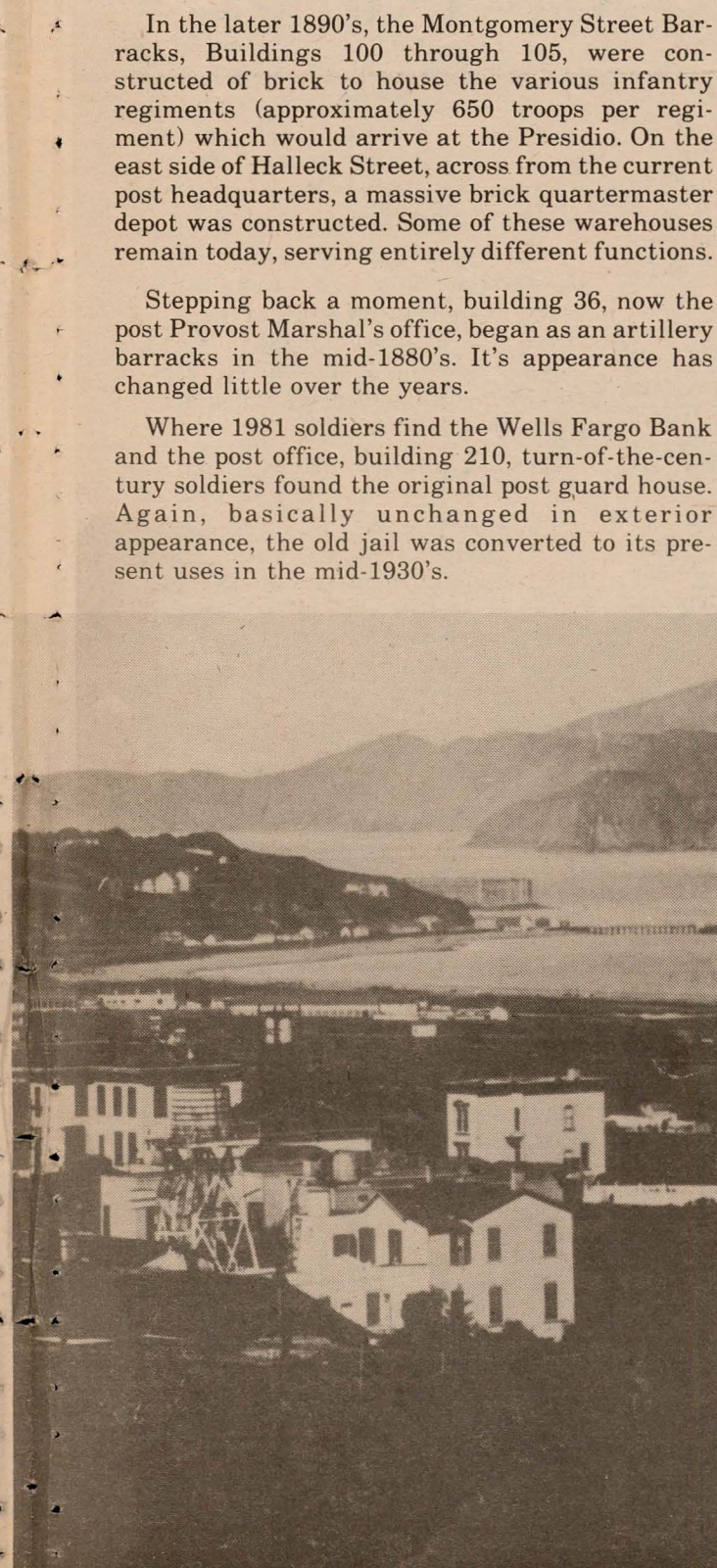
A unique note of history is found in Building 116, located at the corners of Sheridan Avenue and Ord Street. This was Angelo Berretta's Sutler Store, built in 1891. Berretta lived in this building and ran his business, a forerunner of the post exchange, providing soldiers with those items not issued such as chewing gum and tobacco. He also planted the Presidio's "Centennial Tree" and his grandchildren planted the post's "Bicentennial Tree" in 1976!

To be certain, this is only at the Presidio of San Francisco. An even more complete account can be gained by a visit to the post museum, located just off Lincoln Blvd. on Funston Avenue.

The chilling winds of the bay still swirl across the Presidio. If one stands very quietly and listens carefully, it is possible to hear the echoes of the past, still very much a part of the Army in San Francisco in 1981!



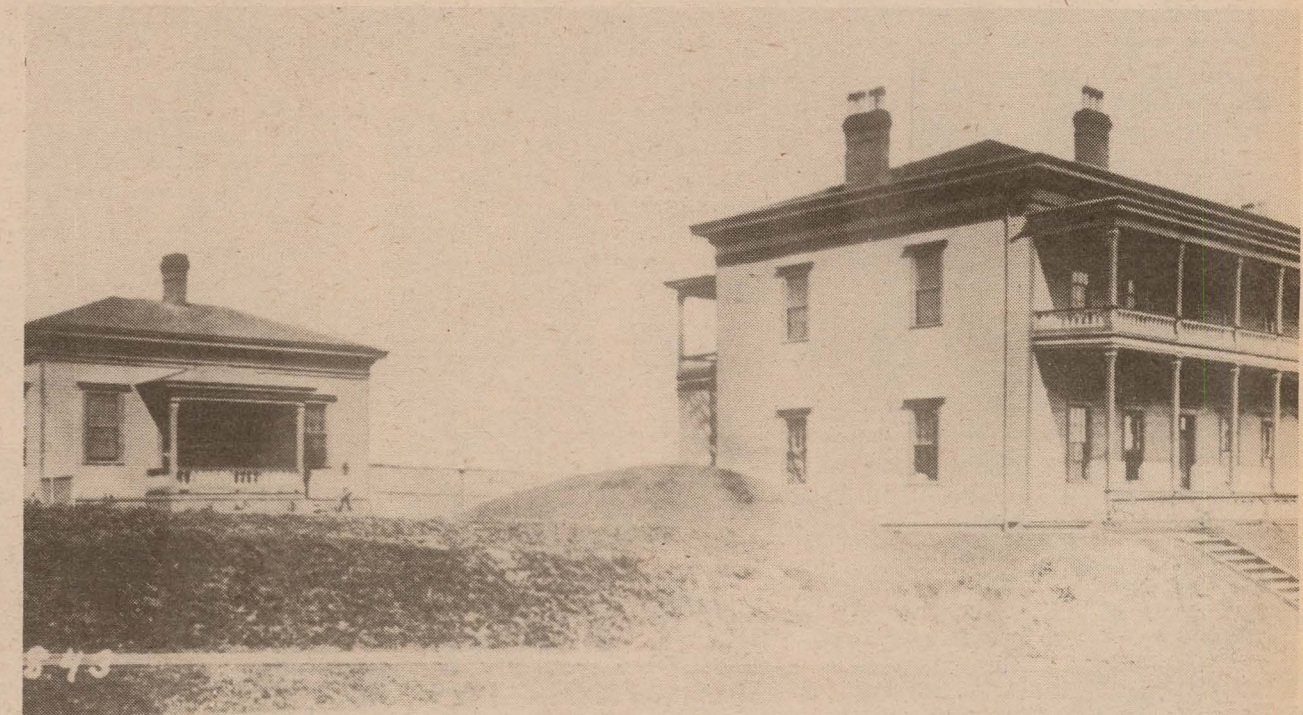
The Montgomery Street barracks as they looked in 1890.



No trees or bridge in 1880.



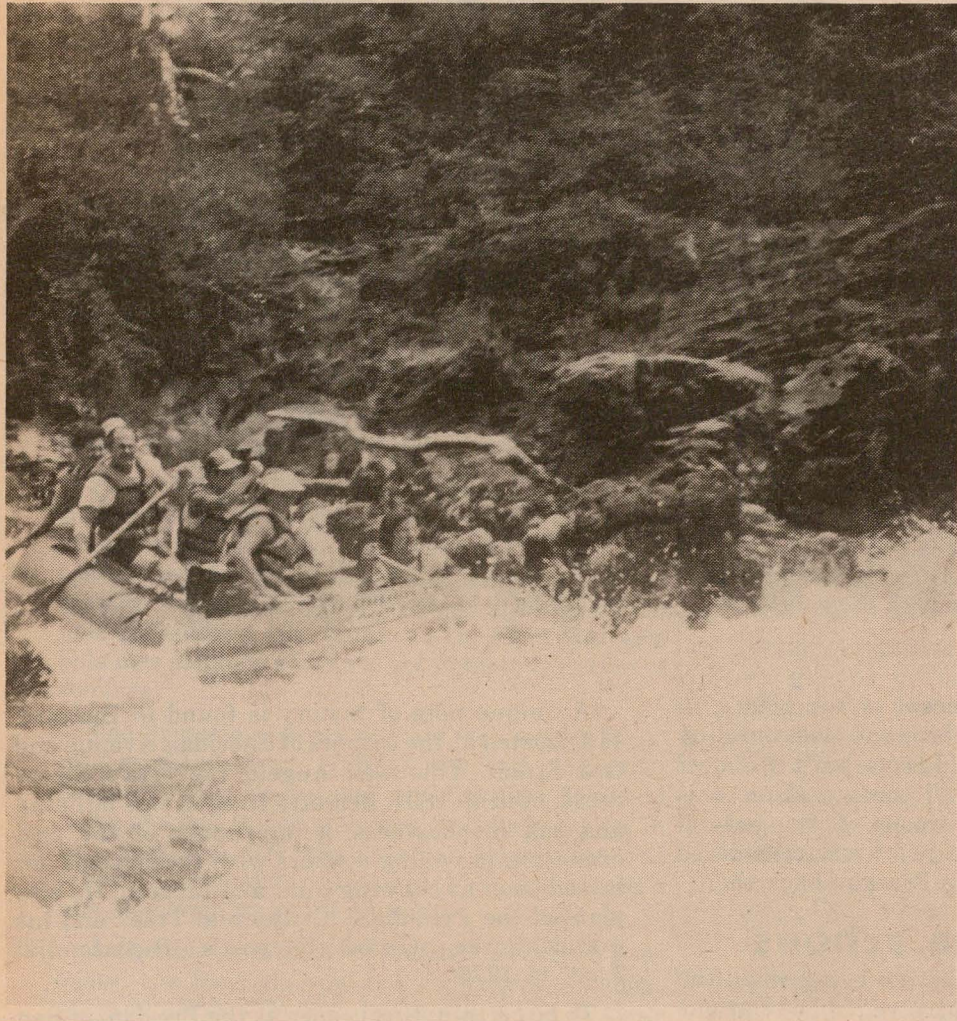
Buildings 86 and 87 just after the second floor additions in 1890.



The Presidio hospital in 1880, now the Presidio Army Museum.

Time to spare

White water raft adventure



The theme was adventure as Outdoor Recreation sponsored a White Water Raft Trip on the Lower Klamath River over the July 4th Holiday Weekend. Twenty people from the Presidio Community enjoyed three full days of white water adventure in the scenic land of "Bigfoot". In addition to providing skilled instruction on the use of rafts and kayaks, the professional river guides doubled as gourmet cooks whenever the group stopped for meals or an overnight camp in the beautiful Klamath River Canyon. The highlight of the trip was successful negotiation of The Dragon's Tooth—a rapid which other rafters elected to portage.

US Army photo

Water ski weekend planned at Tahoe

Don't miss the **Water Ski Weekend, at South Lake Tahoe, July 24-25-26**. For \$40.00 per person you receive transportation, water skiing equipment, use of a ski boat, food and lodging. Bring your tennis racket and golf clubs for use when you are not skiing. The casinos and night clubs of South Lake Tahoe are only minutes away for nighttime entertainment. Sign-up/payment deadline is July 17.

Join Outdoor Recreation's **Gold Panning Expedition, July 31, August 1 & 2**, along the North Fork of the Yuba River in the Sierra foothills. We provide transportation, camping equipment, pans (yours to keep), and instruction on prospecting techniques including use of pans, dredges, and sluice boxes. The trip will conclude with a visit to Malakoff Diggins State Historic Park, near Nevada City.

Time will be available for day hikes, swimming, fishing and other activities for participants who manage to overcome Gold Fever. Cost \$20.00. Sign-up/payment deadline is July 24.

We are investigating the possibility of offering a **Mountaineering School** if there is suffi-

cient interest. Professional climbers will conduct instruction during two 1 day and two weekend excursions spread throughout August and September. Transportation, equipment, and camping needs will be provided. Cost per person is \$175.00—and well worth it.

Experience the thrill of **White Water on the American River, August 28-29-30**. The \$110.00 per person cost includes transportation, camping and rafting equipment, instruction, guides and meals. \$30.00 deposit required upon sign-up. Full payment due July 24.

Well-known San Francisco Comedian, Billy Jayce, will host "Monday DJ Night" starting in August at 8 p.m. at the Recreation Center. Billy performs regularly in the Bay Area and has been featured on television as well. Stop by and relax to your favorite sounds and enjoy a few laughs with Billy!!! Refreshments of beer, hotdogs, and popcorn will be served during this program.

A **"Russian River Western Tour"** is planned for Aug. 29, 1981, 12:30-midnight. Price is \$10.00. This tour will consist of a wine tasting tour, swimming at the pool of the Rio

Nido Lodge, a real cowboy supper with live Western entertainment. You'll set down to a delicious full course supper to enjoy big helpings of barbecued beef, ribs or chicken, beans, spuds, sourdough rolls with butter and honey, spicecake, coffee or lemonade. Please call Ext. 2000 for more information.

A **Santa Cruz beach Boardwalk tour** is being sponsored by the Recreation Center, August 22 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The cost is \$5 per person, and transportation will be by deluxe commercial motorcoach.

Upcoming events being sponsored by the Recreation Center include a Hearst Creation tour Sept. 26, A canoe trip on the Russian River Sept. 12 and a Sacramento River Cruise Oct. 17.

The **Presidio Modern Square Dance Group** would like people to join them at the Log Cabin at 7 p.m. every Thursday.

Computer Classes, Hank's pool instructions and the Presidio Chess Club also meet every Thursday, at the Recreation Center. All four groups would like additional members, and encourage everyone to stop by.

Tickets to Great America, regularly \$11.95, only \$8.50 and Marine World Africa USA, regularly \$8.95 and \$5.95, only \$6.75 and \$4.75 are available at the Recreation Center. The Reno Hospitality Book, only \$2.25 and Lion Country Safari tickets, \$4.25 and \$2.75, regularly \$5.95 and \$3.75, are also available at the Recreation Center.

For additional information concerning Recreation Center activities, call Ext. 2000. Ticket sales and distribution of discount coupons are available after 4 p.m.

"The Servant of Two Masters," a comical farce by Carlo Goldoni, opens Wednesday, at 8 p.m., in the

Little Theatre at San Francisco State University. Additional performances are July 23, 24 and 25, at 8 p.m., and July 26, at 2 p.m. The production is the last in a series of offerings by State's Summer Stock program.

"The Servant of Two Masters" will be designed and performed in the early 16th century Italian Renaissance style of the commedia dell'arte, complete with duels, forced marriages, mistaken identity and endless intrigue.

Tickets, \$3 each, are available at the Creative Arts Box Office, located in the Creative Arts Building on the SFSU campus. For reservations and additional information call the Box Office at (415) 469-2467 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays and two hours before each performance.

"Gigi," the poignant story of a young girl's first experience in the world of romantic involvement, opened Wednesday in the Little Theatre at San Francisco State University. Additional performances are today, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday at 2 p.m.

The play, written by Anita Loos, is directed by SFSU theatre arts professor Jack Cook. It is the fourth production in a series of offerings by San Francisco State University's Summer Stock program.

Now in its sixth year on the SFSU campus, Summer Stock features a company of nearly 75 professional and semi-professional theatre artisans, as well as a high school apprentice program.

Tickets for "Gigi" are \$4 and may be purchased at the Creative Arts Box Office, located in the Creative Arts building at State. For reservations and further information, call the Box Office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays, or two hours prior to each performance at (415) 469-2467.

At the movies

Presidio Theater

July 16	Blazing Saddles (R)	7 p.m.
July 17	Blazing Saddles (R)	7 p.m.
July 18	Jack and the Beanstalk	2 p.m.
July 18	Sphinx (PG)	7 p.m.
July 19	Excalibur (R)	7 p.m.
July 20	Excalibur (R)	7 p.m.
July 21	Smokey and the Bandit II (PG)	7 p.m.
July 22	The Exterminator (R)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

July 16	The Man Who Saw Tomorrow (PG)	7 p.m.
July 17	Honeysuckle Rose (PG)	7 p.m.
July 20	Blazing Saddles (R)	7 p.m.
July 21	Sphinx (PG)	7 p.m.
July 22	Excalibur (R)	7 p.m.

Sports

Post tennis tourney slated to begin

The 1981 Post Tennis Tournament will begin on July 31. Competition in each division being double elimination, and singles play only. The tournament divisions are as follows:

- Open Division (33 years of age, and under)
- Junior Vets Division (34 to 44 years of age)
- Senior Division (45 years of age, and over)
- Women's Division (Open only)

All matches will be the best two out of three sets, to determine the winner. The nine point tie-breaker rule will apply when the score is 6-6. Appropriate awards will be presented

to the top two finishers in each division.

Matches will be scheduled by the Sports Branch, Morale Support Activities Division (MSAD), with play commencing on July 31. Players will visit or all the Fort Scott Gym for opponents and dates that matches must be completed.

Racquets may be rented from the Outdoor Recreation Branch, MSAD, Bldg. 92, Monday through Friday, for a nominal fee.

Active duty personnel assigned or attached to the Presidio of San Francisco, desiring to enter are requested to call Karl Gaffney, at the Fort Scott Gym, ext. 5328 or 2070, by July 24.

Sports shorts

All Comer's Tournament—Sixteen teams from the Presidio Intramural Softball Program will engage in a double elimination tournament for the 1981 All Comer's Softball Championship starting on Monday, July 20, at Fort Scott Softball Fields. Four games are scheduled each evening starting at 6 p.m., Monday through Thursday for the next two weeks with the championship game being played on Wednesday, August 5.

Garrison, the defending champions will have their hands full against the Doctors, 864th Engineers, LAIR No. 1 and Sixth Army. The tournament dark horses, include Oakland, Four Seasons and the Coast Guard. For an evening of fun come out and support your team.

Intramural Softball—The men of the Presidio Coast Guard Station gave warning to the rest of the teams in the Presidio Softball Program that they are ready for the "All Comers" Tournament, by defeating the Holiday Tournament Champions, "The Doctors," in extra innings during the closing week of the Presidio Intramural League play. The loss by the Doctors and victories by Sixth Army and the 864th Engineers, now has three teams scrambling for the championship in the Fort Scott League.

The Coast Guard Station jumped on the Doctors early in the game, scoring four runs in the first inning on four base hits. Two went for extra bases, a double by Mike Bagley and a triple by George McGee. From then on the "Doctors" played catch-up softball as they scored a single run in the first inning on Chris White's double and James Sutherland's base hit.

The "Sailors" increased their lead 5 to 1 in the third inning on Tom Rice's double to drive in Mike Hadler. The "Doctors" narrowed the gap 5 to 4 in their half of the third inning by pounding out five hits, scoring three runs and then sending the game into extra innings in the seventh inning by scoring the tying run after two outs.

The Coast Guard's winning run came in the eighth inning on successive base hits by Tom McGee, Tom Rice and Greg Gogna. Two close plays at first base going against the Doctors in the bottom of the eighth inning insured victory for the Coast Guard.

Game results for the week are as follows:

Fort Scott League	
Oakland, 11—PHS, 1	
Coast Guard, 11—51st Engrs, 1	
864th Engrs, 11—PHS, 0	
MSC, LAMC, 10—51st Engrs, 6	
Doctors, 10—Oakland, 5	
864th Engrs, 9—170th MP Co, 8	
Sixth Army, 6—MSC, LAMC, 2	

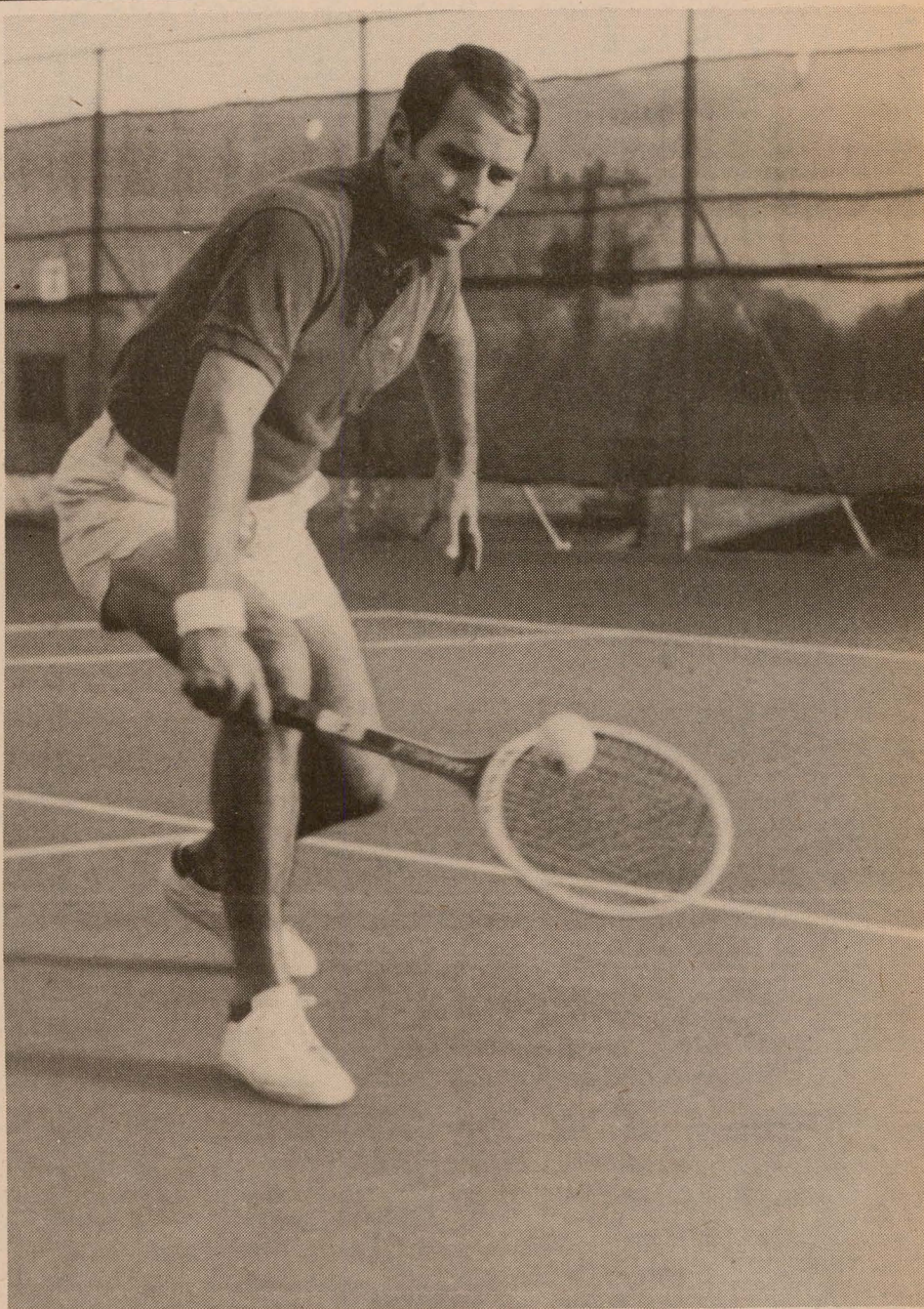


photo by Jon Chelgren

Dudley Hill practices his backhand.

Presidio League	
LAIR No. 1, 11—LAIR No. 2, 1	
B Co, LAMC, 10—Four Seasons, 6	
Attorneys, 10—INSCOM, 1	
Four Seasons, 7—USACC, 0	
USAG, 3—B Co, LAMC, 1	
LAIR No. 1, 3—Attorneys, 1	

Team standings for the week are as follows:

Fort Scott League		
Team	Won	Lost
Sixth Army	14	2
Doctors	14	3
864th Engrs	14	3
Oakland	12	5
PHS	8	9
170th MP Co.	7	9
Coast Guard	6	11
51st Engrs	4	13
MSAD	3	14
MSC, LAMC	2	15

Presidio League		
Team	Won	Lost
LAIR No. 1	15	1
USAG	15	3

B Co, LAMC	15	3
Four Seasons	13	5
Attorneys	8	9
INSCOM	8	9
LAIR No. 2	4	14
USACC	3	15
504th MP's	Dropped	
163rd MP's	Dropped	

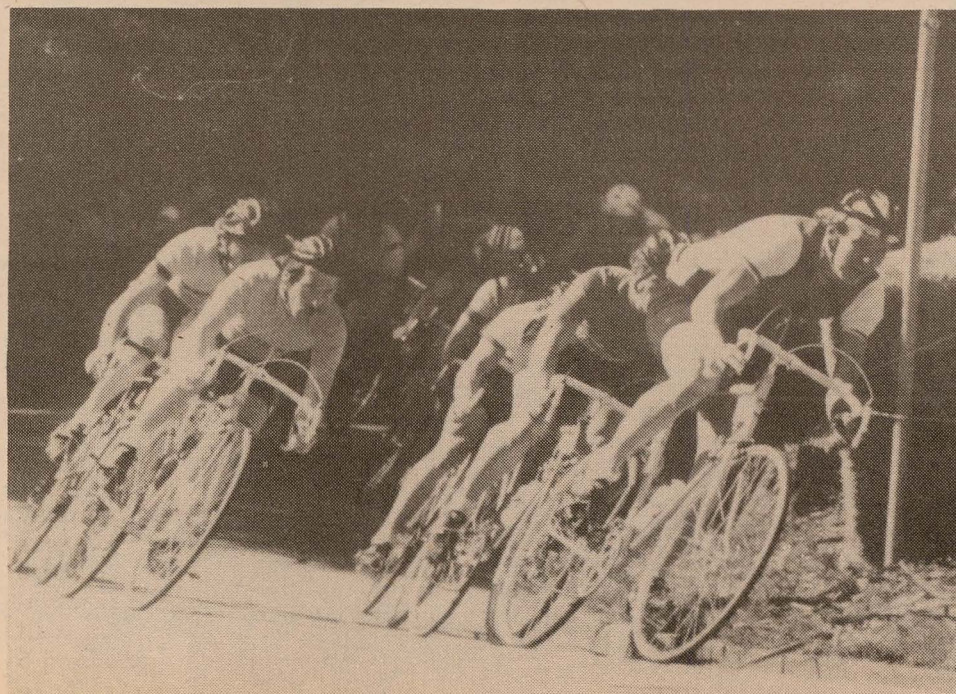
Bowling Championship—The Intramural Bowling League Championship was won by LAMC in a runaway. LAMC won over Region IX by 14 games. A total of 10 teams participated in this annual "Winter League".

The winning team was comprised of Ollie McGuire, Ron Corbillia, Harry Burrows, and Tony Le Croy. McGuire is a scratch bowler, and held a 199 average during the season.

Individual Statistics		
High Series Scratch		
Dennis Werne	708	INSCOM
High Series Handicap		
Harry Burrows	732	LAMC
High Series Scratch		
Marla Freeman	562	LAIR
High Series Handicap		
Dottie Manny	531	Sixth Army
High Game Scratch		
Dennis Klehn	245	INSCOM
High Game Handicap		
Roko Smiljanic	287	LAIR
High Game Scratch		
Dottie Manny	214	Sixth Army
High Game Handicap		
Angela Tasker	231	Sixth Army
High Game Average		
Ollie McGuire	199	LAMC
High Game Average		
Marla Freeman	163	LAIR

Final Team Standings		
Team	Won	Loss
LAMC	84	36
Region IX	70	50
LAIR	67½	52½
INSCOM No. 1	67	53
864th Engrs.	63½	56½
504th MP Bn No. 1	61	59
Sixth Army	54	66
87th ORD	48	72
INSCOM No. 2	47	73
504th MP Bn No. 2	38	82

Scenic bicycle challenge set for Sunday



US Army photo

The 50 kilometer bike race is set for Sunday.

Bicycle enthusiasts may enter the Le Tour De San Francisco, the second annual 50 kilometer Scenic Bicycle Challenge, Sunday at the Yacht Harbor Marina.

The race will begin at the gate and will continue through the Presidio on Lincoln Blvd., past the Cliff House, through Golden Gate Park and around Lake Merced.

The racers will return to the Presidio along the Great Highway to the finish line at Crissy Field.

Entry fee paid before the day of the race is \$8, payable at the San Francisco Cyclery, 858 Stanyan Street.

Post residents should note that Crissy Field Avenue, between Mason and Lincoln will be closed to traffic between 7:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. on Sunday.

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Books wanted

The USS CORAL SEA CV-43 will leave for overseas deployment on August 20, 1981. The San Francisco Coral Sea Committee is trying to gather a van load of paper back books and magazines to place aboard the Coral Sea the day before she sails.

The place to bring your books and magazines of all types is again, **The Avenue Motors, 714 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco.** Please place books and magazines in cardboard boxes for better handling.

Concerts set

The Sixth U. S. Army Band can be heard in concert, at two locations next week.

The band will be performing a public concert at the Franklin Community Cultural Center in San Rafael on Sunday at 1 p.m.

On Tuesday evening the band can be heard at the LAIR Auditorium. The monthly command sponsored concert will begin at 7:30 p.m. The variety of music will delight every musical preference.

The public is welcome at both concerts and the admission is free. For more information feel free to phone the band at ext. 2625.

Retirement class

A preretirement counseling program will be available to all military personnel planning to retire between July 31, and Jan. 31, 1982.

Representatives from the Social Security Administration, California Employment Development Department, USA Transfer Point Civil Service and other agencies will provide individual and small group counseling at the Presidio NCO/Enlisted Club, Bldg. 135. They will meet from 8:15 a.m. to noon, Monday. Wives and husbands are invited to attend.

Swim programs

The San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department has added additional swim programs for adults this summer.

Classes include: Advanced Lifesaving, Lap Swimming, and a Learn to Swim program.

A two week course in Advanced Lifesaving is slated for Coffman Pool (Visitation Avenue and Hahn Street), starting on August 10, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Those interested must be 15 years or older, swim 16



Photo of the Week

Janet Hill took Photo of the Week honors this week with her scenic shot of Lake Tahoe. Her entry will go on to the

Photo of the Quarter competition. Anyone who has sent us photos they would like returned, please contact us.

laps using different strokes, and have purchased a \$5.00 lifesaving kit. The cost of the class will be \$1.00 per session.

Reservations may be made for this class and for a Tuesday 7 p.m. Learn to Swim program at Coffman by call-

ing 586-8570 after 1:30 p.m.

An early morning lap swim program is now available on Thursdays at 6 a.m. at Hamilton Pool, Geary and Steiner Streets. For further aquatic information, telephone 558-3643.

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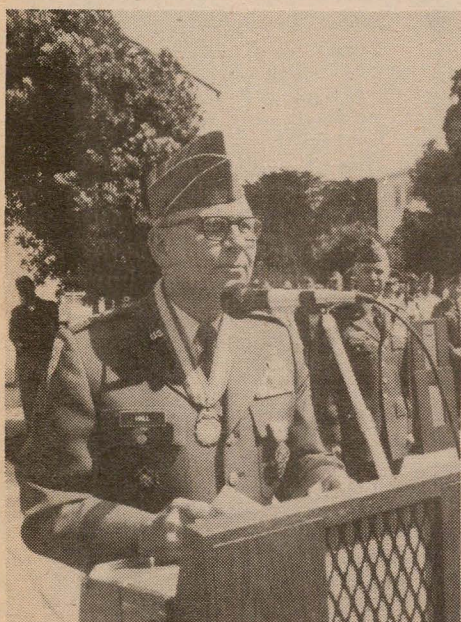


photo by Bill Malkiel

Hall says goodbye.

In his briefing, Hall also said he "would be traveling around, visiting folks." That was an understatement. In his 18 months as commanding general, he travelled thousands of miles visiting every corner of the 15 state area for which he had training and mobilization planning responsibility. Some estimates are, he was on the road seeing first hand the status of things about 90 percent of the time.

It has been said by many that Hall is the man, through all this travel and open display of concern and caring, that has welded a better relationship between active Army, reserve components and national guards than ever before experienced. As one reserve colonel said, "It was not only his uncanny knowledge and a strong desire to help us that pulled

us toward him, but also his friendly, personable manner." He added that Hall was always full of anecdotes and personal notes.

Hall's wry sense of humor and his love for the outdoors, especially Alaska, are legend among those who served with him. Reflecting this, and demonstrating to what extent he did travel, he says, "I'm probably the only active duty general who knows where Camp Guernsey, Wyoming is."

Born in Honolulu, the son of a military man, Hall says he has always had close ties to the Bay Area. Although he had never before been stationed here until he took command of the Sixth Army, Hall said he was a frequent visitor. "I first stepped foot on mainland American soil just down the road at Ft. Mason and I went to school north of here (his

father was stationed at what was then called Hamilton Air Field). I took my West Point entrance physical here, I was married to my wife in the post chapel and my first child was born at Letterman."

Hall and his wife will make a brief stop at Ft. McPherson before officially retiring at the end of this month and has plans of taking a long vacation in the southeast United States. Selection of any area for establishing his home or further career have not yet been made public.

Announced as Hall's replacement is Maj. Gen. David Grange, who is awaiting confirmation of his promotion to his third star. Grange is currently commander of the U. S. Army Infantry School at Fort Benning, Ga.

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Leader of the pack

One of several hundred bikers leads the pack in the 50 kilometer Le Tour De San FRANCISCO bike race Sunday. For the story and more photos, see page six.

photo by Jon Chelgren

Due in August

New policy to limit reserved parking spaces

The new Presidio parking regulation is being printed now and should be distributed on post by Aug. 1, according to officials at the Headquarters Commandant's office.

Maj. Michael Linnane, headquarters commandant and installation parking coordinator, said Tuesday that the regulation basically amounts to a policy of 'open parking' on a first-come, first-served basis.

The new post regulation is in line with a new Department of the Army directive which Linnane received recently.

The new post policy limits reserved spaces to "a minimal amount" and allows special parking privileges for only seven categories of drivers, Linnane explained.

Those seven categories include reserved spaces for handicapped drivers, general officers car and van pool drivers, commanders and key staff members, official military vehicles, civilian vehicles on special government business and "senior and key" personnel. That last category will be tightly controlled, according to Linnane, and must be authorized specifically by the installation commander.

Linnane said that the policy will be enforced as soon as parking spaces on post are repainted to designate the limited number of reserved spaces.

He had no idea when that would be. Linnane said that the post engineers were waiting for parts for painting equipment to do the job which should take about two weeks.

In addition to describing the new parking policy, Linnane also said Tuesday that few drivers are filing for possible refund of parking fees. Those fees, the subject of a case being tried in a U.S. appellate court now, had been ruled illegal in March.

Recently the headquarters commandant's office received forms for drivers to apply for the possible refunds for the fees paid since November 1979. According to Linnane only eight drivers have returned completed form and only another 10 people have asked for the paperwork.

Though the payment of refunds is being held up until a Washington, D.C., court rules on the fees, but Department of the Army officials have asked drivers to apply now for refunds to speed possible repayment.

Overseas moves up for Presidio soldiers

More Presidio soldiers are being selected for overseas assignment this year than last, according to post personnel officials.

Capt. James Carroll, chief of COM-PACT's personnel management section, conservatively estimates that the number of post soldiers headed overseas is up by more than 25 percent.

A recent U.S. Forces Command news release on the subject estimated that for the next six months about 14,000 more soldiers would receive overseas orders than for the same period last year.

The news release attributed the jump to a cut in unaccompanied tour lengths for first term soldiers in Europe to 18 months. Because of the shorter tour, more soldiers are receiving overseas assignments.

Carroll says that the jump in overseas assignments is causing some problems for post soldiers.

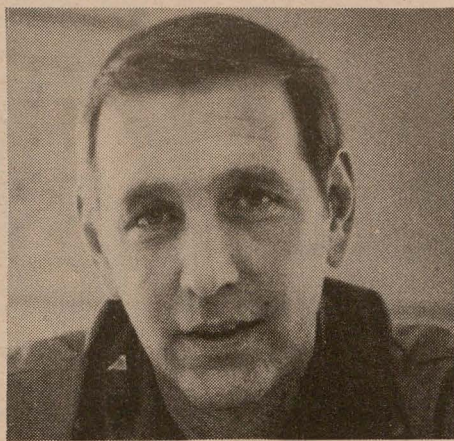
"The increase caught us somewhat unexpectedly and because of a manpower shortage, there has been a backlog in PCS processing," Carroll says, "which has caused a delay in people receiving their orders."

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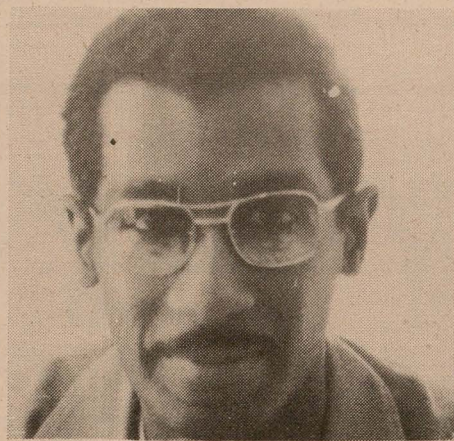
Ramblin' Sam Have we done enough to locate M.I.A.s in Vietnam?



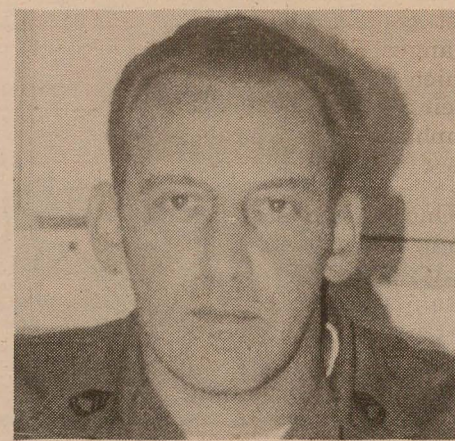
Sgt. Maj. Joel Redmon, COM-PACT—"I don't think we, as a country were forceful enough in getting all that belonged to us out of Southeast Asia. In our negotiations we just didn't apply enough pressure. As far as my old unit's effort to locate MIA's, we had numerous investigations, but they proved fruitless in terms of actually locating an individual."



Sgt. Maj. Robert Simpson, DPTSEC—"It's my belief that the U. S. has not made a wholehearted effort in either the recovery of MIA's or the identification of the exact number. I base this on the recent return of the remains of two MIA's, and the many statements of refugees attesting to U. S. personnel still located in Vietnam. While I was there, there were intelligence reports that stated there were POW's that were never recovered or heard of again. I think the government could have been a bit firmer in negotiations."



SFC Eugene W. Mitchell, Headquarters Commandant Office—"I feel that too many disclosures were being made on just about all clandestine operations. The leaks in information accounted for us not being able to locate a lot of our MIA's. There were properly conducted investigations, to my knowledge. In fact, there were follow up investigations. I had even heard of a few cases where individuals would sometimes take off, and would be classified as MIA's because of the embarrassment of an AWOL. Actually, the country shouldn't have stepped out of the war when it did."



SFC David S. Springer, USAG—"I feel we, the U. S., didn't get all of our people out. Some action should be taken, if not to satisfy the government, then to satisfy the mothers and fathers of those unaccounted for. To my knowledge, in my former unit, there was never an all out effort to locate missing personnel. What we did do was to try our damndest to constantly maintain an accountability of personnel. I think there should be some attempt, right now, to go in and get those people that are still there."

Commentary

Are you competent to live here?

by K. Douglas Cook

"It's very important to be considered competent these days. Why, ask any high school graduate and you'll discover it's the only way to fly. . . much less graduate!

Considering the lack of housing in the Bay Area, perhaps we should take our cue from the academic world. Let's start testing people to see where they'll live. I think a marvelous place to begin is Marin County.

Hence, here's the **First Marvey Marin Competency Test**. Take your time and answer each question fully. A score of 90 or better will qualify; you for admission as a resident of Marin County:

1. The Golden Gate Bridge is:

- North of the last known civilized area in California.
- A place to park your car at 6 p.m. Friday.
- A device to measure the height of ships entering the bay.

2. Trees taller than 30 feet are:

- Not allowed north of the Presidio of San Francisco.
- Too tall to climb in shower shoes.

- A great source of wood for a hot tub.

3. One way streets are:

- Highly sexist in nature and should be made illegal.
- An excellent source of entertainment on a skateboard.
- An artistic statement.

4. A good restaurant is defined as:

- A place where no prices are printed on the menus.
- A place where everything is edible.
- Not particularly necessary in mixed company.

5. Hot tubs are:

- Great places to store vintage wine in the off season.
- Tools of a decadent, capitalistic society.
- A fine place to hold a senior prom.

6. Traffic control signs and signals are:

- Applicable only to tourists and children.
- A source of employment for somebody.

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- Very important to dogs and drunks.

7. Rain and fog are:

- Not in alphabetical order.
- Awful because they make things harder to light.
- Something stored on the south side of Waldo Tunnel.

8. Banks are:

- A natural source of plastic.
- A great place to practice signing your name.
- One place to learn how to stand in line.

9. The city of San Francisco is:

- A mythological place where everything is uphill from you.
- A source of peacock feathers and other odd things.
- A rude experience, but necessary to fill in a day's time.

10. Lycra Spandex material:

- Makes wonderful wall covering.
- Is never found immediately south of Stinson Beach.
- Is not suited for cold weather attire.

11. Streets are:

- Shallow expressions of male domination.
- Confining to those with artistic flair.
- Appropriate dividing lines between front lawns.

12. Marriage is something which:

- Aids attorneys in making house payments.
- Gives doctors something to do after golf.
- Provides incentive to find a second job.

13. Sunshine and fresh air are:

- Unknown south of the Golden Gate Bridge.
- Again, not in alphabetical order.
- Extra and come only with the deluxe option package.

14. Single family dwellings are:

- Best when stacked on top of each other.
- Necessary when one has only a single family.
- Great additions to a hot tub.

15. The United States Army is:

- An experience which makes it all worthwhile.
- Something applicable only to everyone else.
- What's an United States Army?

Be certain to check your answers. After you have completed this test, lay it flat on your desk and begin rolling from the end nearest you. Moisten the gummed seal and place the proper postage on one end. Mail to: The Marvey Marin Resident Testing Center, Marin County, CA 94901. Selected applicants will be notified by a discreet but meaningful letter.

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SQT rules change

A number of recent changes to Skill Qualification Test (SQT) regulations will affect all Presidio soldiers, according to post testing officials.

Ms. Elizabeth Pietri, post deputy test officer, says that the changes tighten the grounds under which soldiers can be exempted from their SQT tests as well as put greater emphasis on commanders and supervisors to prepare their soldiers.

One of the changes dropped a requirement that soldiers be notified 60 days in advance of their SQT test date. Hypothetically, that means that a soldier could be informed one day that he would take the SQT the following day.

However, Pietri notes that most soldiers on post are already notified well in advance of their test dates and that the lead time they now receive should continue.

A second change dropped an

exemption for soldiers who worked outside of their MOS for 90 days. Pietri says that those soldiers will now have to take the test in their primary MOS regardless of their duties.

A final change drops a third exemption for soldiers who do not receive SQT materials before the test. The change charges unit commanders and supervisors with insuring that their personnel are up to test standards.

Her supervisor, 1st Lt. Gregory Martin, Presidio test control officer, says that the changes are designed to make unit commanders do their job in terms of training their soldiers. He suggests that if commanders and supervisors are fulfilling training requirements as they should, the regulation changes will not adversely affect their personnel.

Martin suggests that anyone with questions about the changes or about the SQT system should contact their unit training office.

School fees legal

The Army will not take legal action to prevent the Novato school system from charging soldiers' dependents bus fees this fall, according to a recent statement issued by the post just advocate.

Following news of a possible cut in federal impact aid, the post was advised by the Novato School District that it intended to charge 80 cents per child per day for riding school busses. Lt. Col. Harvey Kaplan, Presidio staff judge advocate, says that his office received numerous queries from affected parents wondering if the Army would go to court to halt the fees.

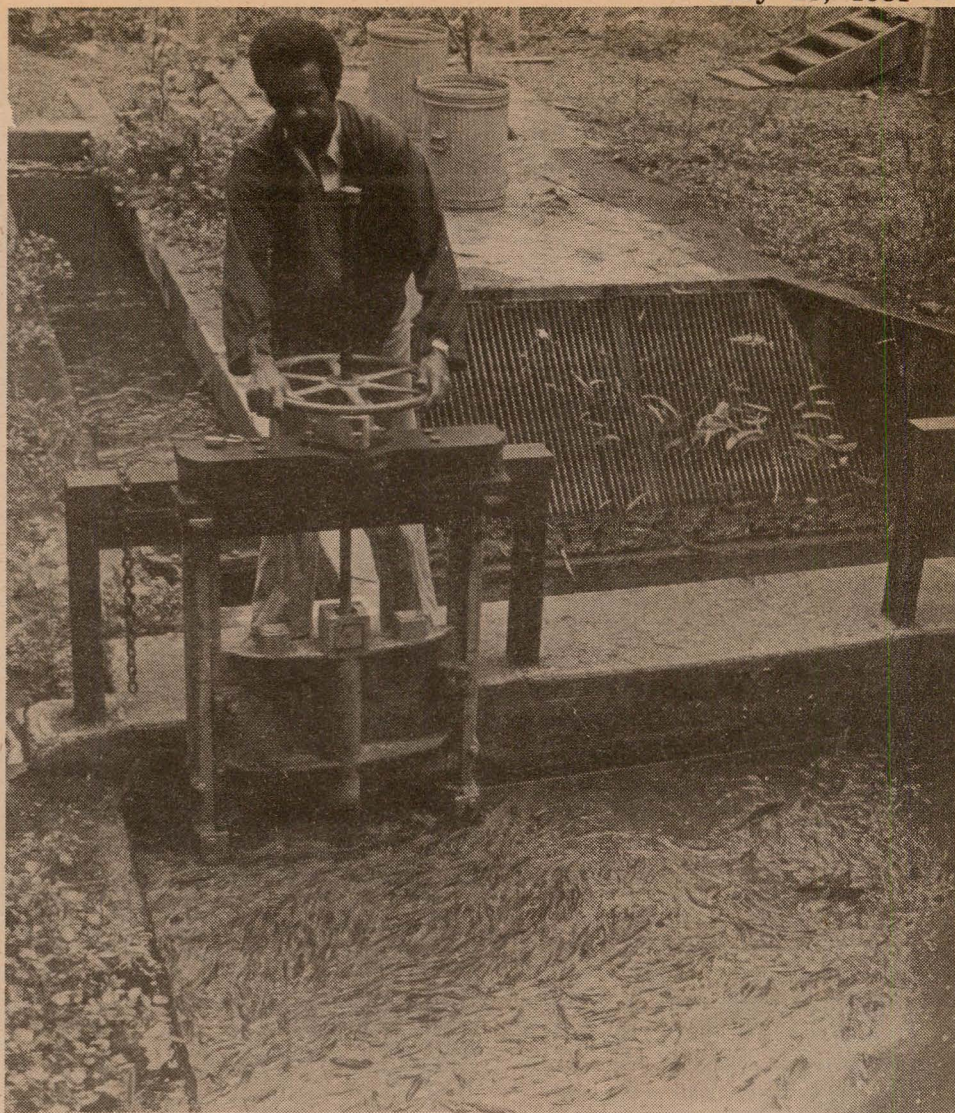
The parents referred to statements by senior defense officials who promised legal action if any school district attempted to charge soldiers for dependents' tuition costs should

impact aid be dropped.

After consulting with the Office of the Judge Advocate General in Washington, D.C., Kaplan says that since the bus fee is being charged to all children and since it is not a tuition charge, the Army will not take legal steps to halt the fees.

When the school district advised the post of the fees, a local Department of Education spokesman had said that the imposition of the fees probably took into account the possible loss of federal funds.

Impact aid funds, paid to local school districts to offset the costs of educating military dependents, had been cut from next year's federal budget. The funds were later restored to the appropriations bill which still faces action before Congress.



A workman opens the gates on Lobos Creek.

photo by Jon Chelgren

Water quality unaffected by treatment plant work

Construction work on the post water treatment plant is having no noticeable effect on the quality of the Presidio water supply according to a plant spokesman.

Raymond Logan, water plant chief, says that the post is installing new equipment at the plant and started allowing Lobos Creek water to flow into the ocean yesterday. The Presidio is purchasing water from

the city to meet demands until the creek water supply is restored tomorrow.

Lobos Creek serves as the major source of water for the post.

According to Logan the only noticeable effect of the construction for post residents is that normally dry portions of the creek bed are now carrying the water past the treatment plant.

New sessions starting

Variety of classes set

Columbia College will offer a Saturday class during its next session, Aug. 10 to Oct. 3. The course, Small Business Management is an upper-level business offer and will be held from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. each Saturday during the term.

Columbia has scheduled four other courses at its Treasure Island campus: English Composition I (Tues), a first semester writing class required of all students; General Psychology (Wed), an introductory behavioral sciences course; Microeconomics (Thur), a basic business course required of all business majors, and Criminal Law I (Thur), an upper-level criminal justice course. These four classes will all be held in the

evenings from 6:30 to 11:30 p.m. Columbia is also offering Microeconomics on Thursday nights at Petaluma and English Composition II at Hamilton AFB on Tuesday nights.

Columbia College is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Universities and offers both two and four-year degrees. Students may major in business administration, psychology, or criminal justice. The school is sponsored at Treasure Island and at Hamilton AFB by Navy Campus.

Additional information about Columbia can be obtained from Larry Blades or Margaret Kirkpatrick at 397-5613.

Blood drive

Lack of donors a problem

Post officials are becoming concerned at the lack of support for the quarterly blood drives at the Presidio.

In a letter released recently from post headquarters, Col. F. Whitnev Hall Jr., post commander, encouraged everyone to give blood during the third quarterly Presidio blood drive scheduled for Aug. 14.

Hall noted in the letter that the third quarterly blood drive would be held at the Presidio NCO Club, from 8

a.m. to 4 p.m., and the old MOS Library, building 1227, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Hall also thanked everyone who helped during the second quarterly blood drive held May 29, even though "the results were far below our anticipation."

Through their efforts, the Presidio community donated 293 units of blood. This total is down from 433 units for the previous quarter.

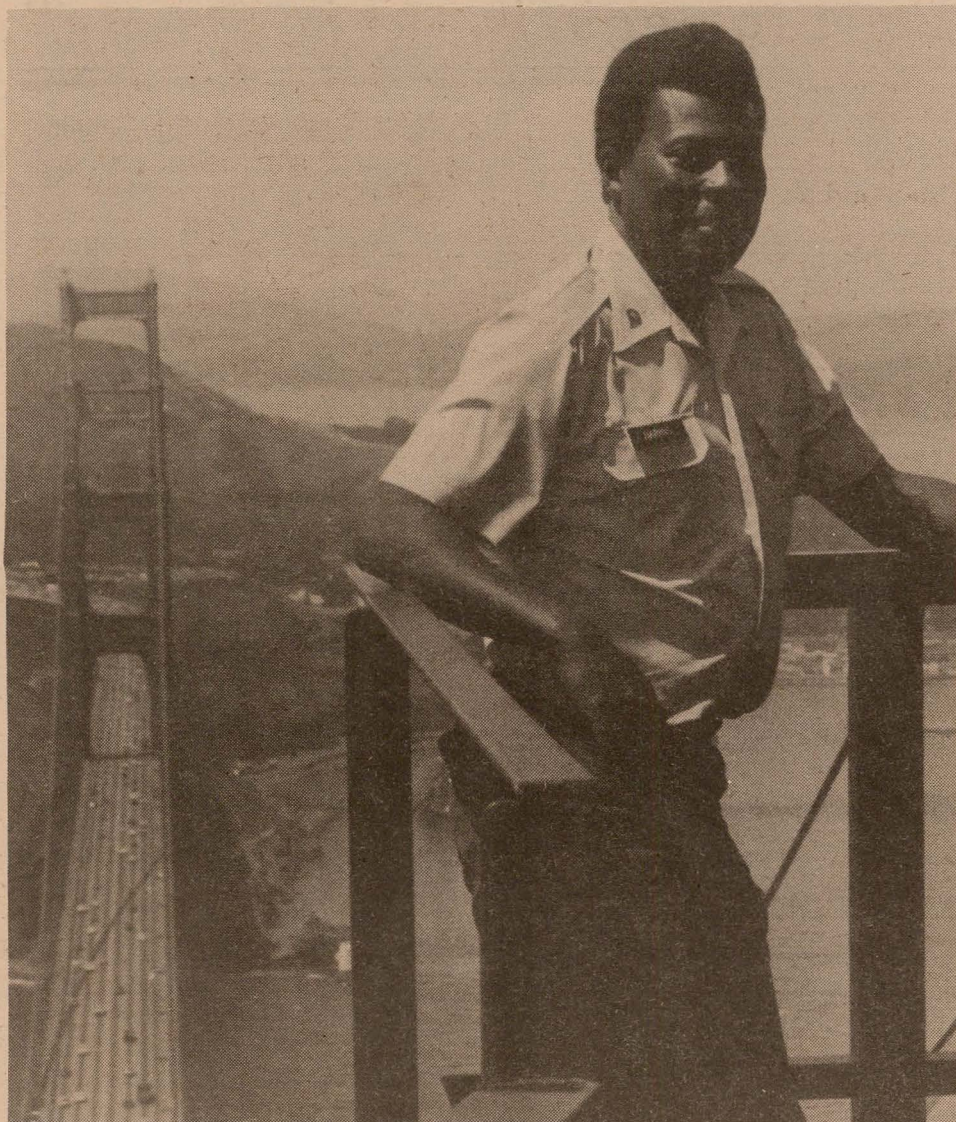


Photo by Richard Caldwell

On top of the world

In an unusual reenlistment ceremony on July 10, Sp4 Victor Harris a supply specialist from the CI/SLGSEC support battalion, recited the reenlistment oath on the south tower of the Golden Gate Bridge. Harris, who wanted to reenlist someplace special in San Francisco, said the Golden Gate Bridge just stuck in his mind.

NCOs set a first with 'bottoms up'

Some members of the 504th MP Battalion recently got a chance to tell their commander exactly what they thought of their unit.

Nearly 20 NCOs from throughout the battalion gathered at the Log Cabin for a "bottoms up" transition seminar overseen by the Presidio Organizational Effectiveness (OE) Office.

According to Capt. Brady Lawrence, post OE management consultant, it was the first time NCOs had been invited to an OE transition.

The seminar was designed to give the new 504th Commander, Lt. Col. Thomas Cornick, a chance to hear what his first line supervisors see as problems in the unit.

"Normally the first line supervisor deals with the problems first hand everyday," explains Lawrence. "They see a unit's problems in a different way than key staff members do."

Lawrence says the idea behind transition seminars is to ease new commanders into their units OE began, Lawrence explains, in civilian industry when corporations discovered that new managers would take six months to a year before becoming familiar enough with their jobs to become effective.

Lawrence suggests that OE is vitally important as the Army tries to maintain combat readiness in peacetime.

"We are faced with a reduction in resources while our mission is increasing," he explains. "Our biggest resource is people."



Lawrence briefs 504th Mp Battalion NCOs on organizational effectiveness.

photo by Jon Chelgrer

"Using a transition seminar," he continues, "saves time and energy."

In his role as a management consultant, Lawrence says he can approach a unit as an impartial observer.

"I can give a fair assessment of an

organization," he says.

Still, Lawrence stresses that he is only there to assist commanders and that they are the ones who must choose to employ or disregard his advice.

"I'm not a doctor and OE is not a

panacea for a unit's problems," he says. "It merely helps to get you from where you are to where you want to be. I'm like the chauffeur."

Overall, Lawrence sums up his job and the OE program as a way "to make good units better."

Soldier earns more than a penny for his thoughts

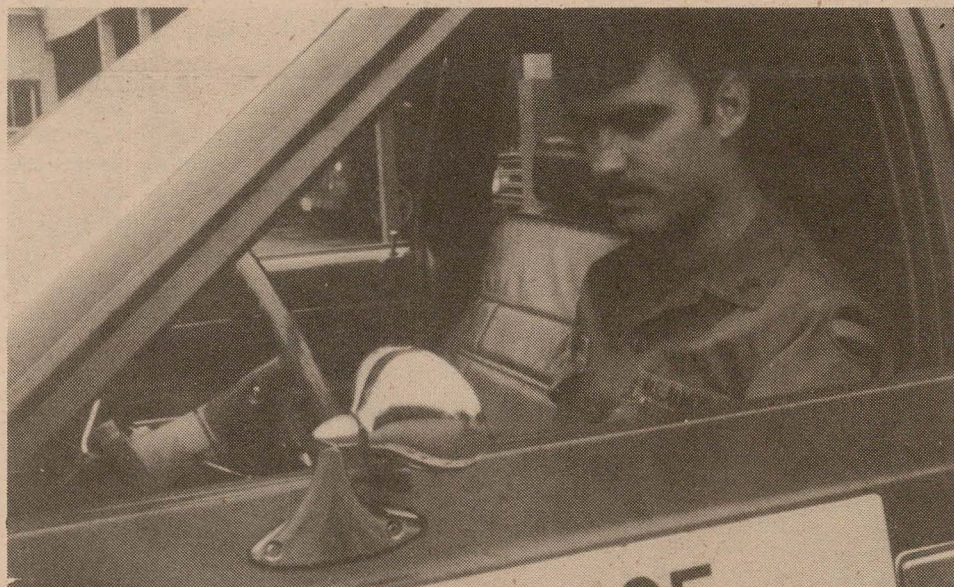
by Tim Dewar

A Presidio mechanic was given over \$800 recently for submitting an Army Incentive Award suggestion, which is expected to save the Presidio \$27,000 annually.

Sgt. Bill Gibbs of the Transportation Motors Pool (TMP), received an \$840 cash award and special commendation for his suggestion to replace seven Presidio Military Police (MP) sedans with more efficient pickup trucks.

Gibbs says one day while he was working on one of the MP sedans and talking with a fellow employee, he started figuring. "I checked into it, and figured out that it cost 54¢ a mile to operate the sedans, which were always being brought into the TMP for repairs. It costs only 33¢ a mile to operate the pickups," he explains.

This should result in a total savings of operational and maintenance costs of \$27,104, according to the citation.



Gibbs was awarded more than \$800 for a suggestion.

photo by Tim Dewar

Legal notice

TO:

ALL HISPANIC, PRESENT OR PAST EMPLOYEES, OR APPLICANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT, AT THE OAKLAND ARMY BASE, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA.

Please carefully read this entire notice as it may affect your legal rights.

A lawsuit alleging that the Oakland Army Base ("OARB") discriminates against Hispanic employees and applicants for employment was filed in 1973 and is presently pending in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California. The lawsuit, entitled **Valdez vs. Alexander, Jr.**, C-73-0863 SC, originally sought injunctive relief and damages for the individual plaintiff and the members of the plaintiff's class. On March 15, 1978, the Court defined the class to consist of:

All Hispanic persons who have applied for employment, who have been or are presently employed at the Oakland Army Base, who have been, are being, or may in the future be discriminated against on the basis of race, color or national origin with respect to hiring, job assignment, training, promotion, or discharge by virtue of defendants' unlawful acts, practices or policies.

The plaintiff and defendants have now agreed to settle the case. The proposed terms of settlement, called a Consent Decree, have been tentatively approved by the Court. If finally approved by the Court, the settlement will bind all class members to its terms and will bar all claims of classwide discrimination arising prior to the Court's approval with the exception of pending formal or informal claims of discrimination filed at OARB.

The Court's tentative approval of the settlement is subject to hearing the views, if any, of individual class members, that the proposed Consent Decree is a fair and adequate settlement of the claims raised in the lawsuit. The Court will approve the

Consent Decree unless the Court determines final approval is not appropriate based on any showing by you or any other class members made at a hearing to be held on Aug. 21, 1981, in the Courtroom No. 3 at the United States District Court, 450 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, California. Anyone who objects to the settlement must file his or her written objections not later than August 11, 1981, with the Clerk of the Court. Such objections should be mailed or personally filed with the Clerk of the Court, United States District Court, Northern District of California, Federal Building, 450 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, California.

A copy of the Consent Decree is available at the following locations:

1. Clerk's office, United States District Court, 450 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, California;
2. Equal Employment Opportunity Office, Bldg. 1, Room 2CD, OARB, Oakland, California;
3. The offices of the lawyers of the class: the Legal Aid Society of Alameda County, 2357 San Pablo Avenue, Oakland, California.

The following is a summary of the Decree:

1. The defendant does not admit that OARB ever discriminates in the past and promises that OARB will not discriminate in the future;
2. The Decree will bar all claims of classwide discrimination occurring up to the date of Court's approval of the settlement unless the claim of discrimination is part of a formal or informal administrative complaint which is pending at OARB;
3. Hiring goals have been set to increase Hispanic representation at all grade levels in the GS pay schedule. In order to achieve these goals OARB will adopt a recruitment and hiring program aimed at increasing Hispanic representation in employment and will do the following, among other things:
 - a. accept applications at OARB and in the community for certain OARB positions;
 - b. give tests to applicants both at OARB and in the community (e.g., at the Spanish Unity Council and Education Para Adelantar) and, if a sufficient score obtained and position available, offer employment immediately after the taking of the test;
 - c. increase its contacts with Hispanic community groups;
 - d. establish a "test preparation program" which will be given at OARB and in the community to individuals who have failed tests to obtain employment at OARB;
 - e. recontact Hispanic applicants who decline positions at OARB and solicit media announcements aimed at the Hispanic community;

4. On an annual basis, for the term of the Decree, OARB will submit progress reports on the implementation of the Decree to the Court;

Notice to Class of Pendency and Proposed Settlement of Class Action.

5. The named plaintiff will be given a retroactive promotion and an award of back pay;

6. In accordance with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the defendants have agreed that plaintiff shall be considered the prevailing party solely for the purpose of attorneys' fees and solely on the hiring issues raised in the case. The amount of fees have not yet been determined by the Court;

7. This lawsuit will not be litigated further if the Consent Decree is finally approved by the Court. The hiring goals and hiring and recruitment program under the Decree will, however, continue for five years unless terminated at an earlier date due to OARB achieving its employment goal with respect to the employment of Hispanics.

If you have any questions about this notice or the proposed Consent Decree, you may consult your own private lawyer, or you may contact Captain Carol Hill at the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, (466-2921).

Keeping pay problems in check



Sp5 Ken Joliff wheels a cartload of records to the Quality Editing Department.



Barbara Allen assists Sp5 L.R. Parnel with a pay inquiry.

Story and photos by Tim Dewar

Anyone who has ever had a pay problem knows how important a timely solution is.

One Presidio organization, the Military Pay Unit at finance and accounting, tries to solve Presidio soldiers pay problems.

Timely solutions depend on complete and accurate records according to T.R. Swing, Chief of the Military Pay Unit.

Whether it is a mail-in or walk-in inquiry," Swing states, "if complete documentation isn't there, we can't help them."

Once complete documentation is received, pay inquiries go through many various check points and quality control stations before it is sent to the finance capitol at Ft. Benjamin Harrison, Indiana.

"The inquiries are given to transmittal clerks who make sure everything is in order and correct," Swing explains. From there it goes to the Personnel Financial Records (PFR) section who make the corrections.

Error free records are also important in solving pay problems.

"From the PFR, the inquiry goes

to the Quality Editing Department for a final check for errors," he states.

Computers also play a part in solving pay problems quickly, according to Swing. "From Quality Editing, the record goes to the Data Conversion Department where they are placed on a tape. The computers can store up to 350,000 records at one time," Swing adds.

"After they are placed on tape, they are walked over to the Management Information Systems Operations (MISO), who in turn transmits them directly to Ft. Harrison.

"Since the computer room has a cutoff date, it is important to get the information to us between the first and eighth of the month so we can get it to them.

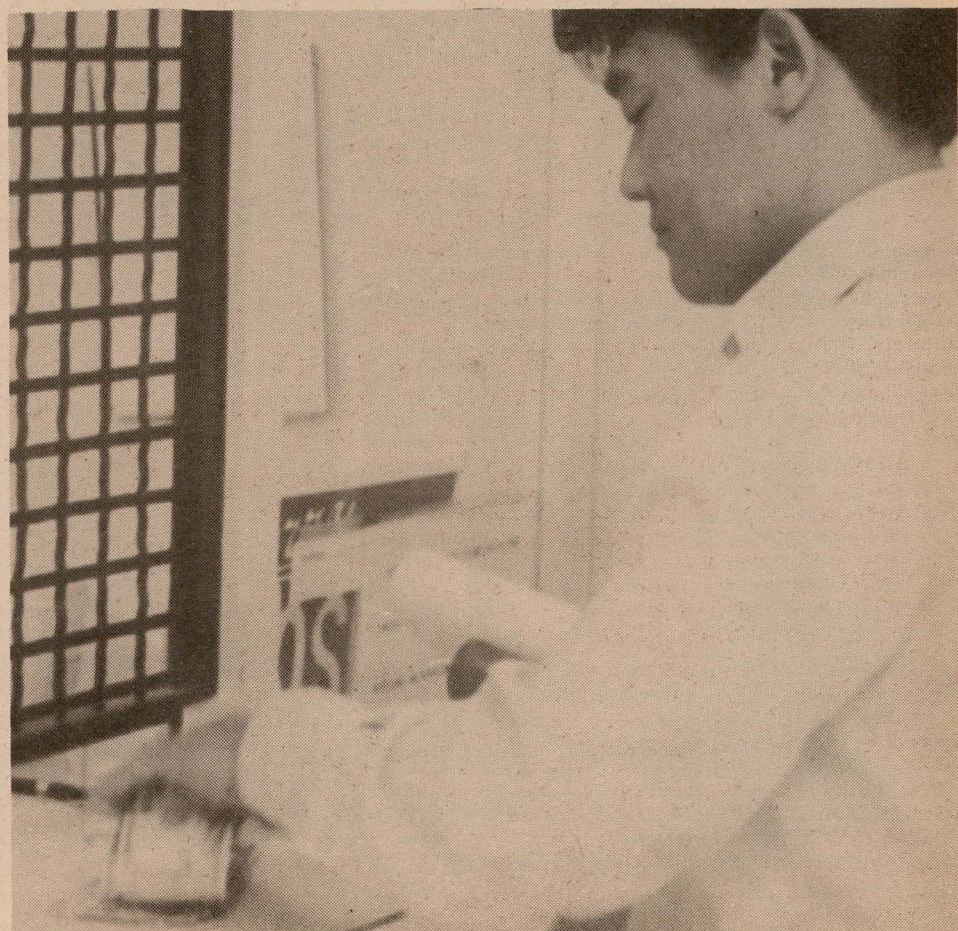
Pay inquiries must be turned in before the cutoff date in order to receive prompt attention.

This is especially true, because we may be handling on the average of 600 inquiries at any one time."

If getting paid is important to you, Swing suggests if you have a problem to make sure you bring complete and accurate information on time.

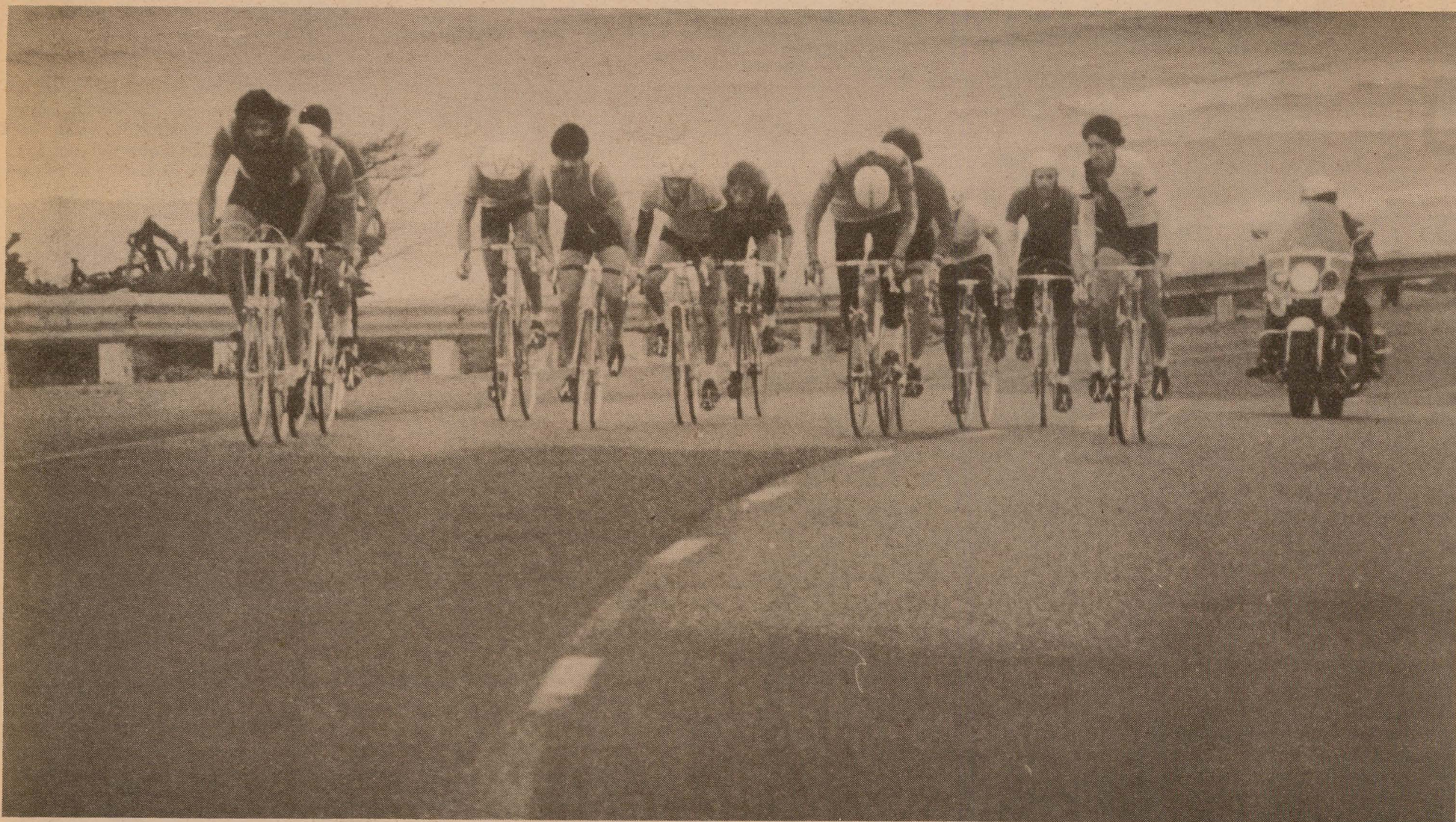


SSgt. Elizabeth Pfaus pulls a soldier's finance records.



Sp4 Young Kim collects back pay.

Sports



A pack of racers peddle up one of the many hills on the course.



Not all of the entrants were serious racers.

More than 650 ride in Sunday bike race

Story and photo by Jon Chelgren

More than 650 bicyclists converged on the Presidio Sunday as the second "Le Tour de San FRANCISCO" was held.

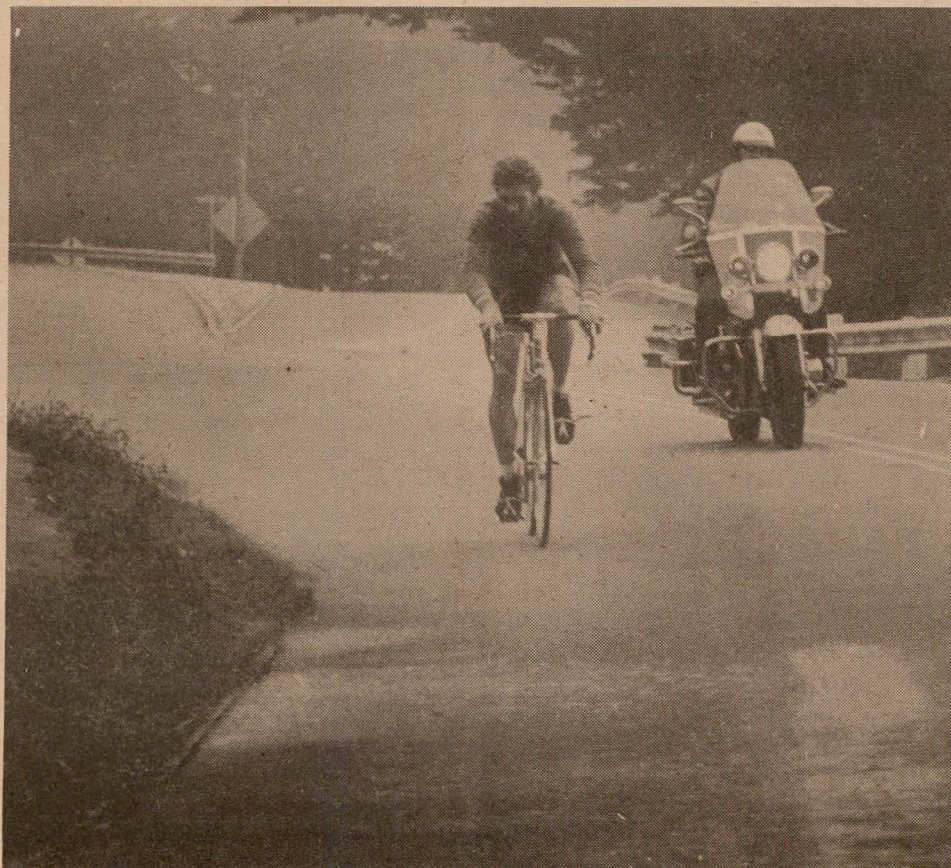
Starting just outside the post's marina gate, the bikers crossed the Presidio on their way to Lake Merced and back during the 50-kilometer event.

The event is part of the city's week-long Bastille Day celebrations and is patterned after the world famous Le Tour de France bike race.

Organizer David Smith says that unlike the French race, the one here is more of a pure challenge.

"Anytime you have something like this," he says, "obviously you have to have someone finish first. We are trying to attract those riders who just want to have a good time and see this as kind of a personal challenge."

"I would like to see this become kind of the Bay to Breakers of bike racing," he adds.



Winner Clark Natwick cruises down Lincoln Blvd.

LAIR tops LAMC, USAG for title

LAIR No. 1 prevailed as the bst team in the Presidio Intramural Softball League by maintaining a 17-1 record to finish in front of B Co, LAMC and USAG by two full games and capture the League Championship.

LAMC and Garrison, a dominant force for the past three years, will have to settle second place when they battle each other for that position. LAMC and Garrison finished with identical 15-3 records.

Coast Guard, 4—Sixth Army, 1

The men of the Coast Guard proved that their win over the Doctors was no fluke as they continued to play the role of the spoilers by knocking off Sixth Army 4-1 to force a play-off between the Doctors and Sixth Army for the Fort Scott League Championship.

The Coast Guard's initial run came in the fourth inning and they combined six hits for three runs in the top of the sixth inning to go ahead 4-0.

Sixth Army held off a shut-out in the sixth on Scott Carr's basehit and Chris Anderson's RBI double.

In minor league action

Totems snatch crown

The 1981 DYA Minor League Baseball program drew to a close with a host of action-packed games.

The Totems snatched the Presidio championship crown by trouncing the Solons 14-1 and then edging the Padres 3-1.

The Padres played a spoiler role in helping the Totems gain the crown. The Padres ended title hopes by the Seals with a 3-1 upset. Had the Seals won they would have tied for the league lead and forced a playoff.

Leading the Totems to the league championship were Michael Barry, Eric Freeman, Phil Dunigan, Hillary Butler and Robert Linder.

Sport Shorts

Biathlon winners

Bob Darling's 12 second lead over third place runner Alan Posey was not wide enough margin for his teammate swimmer Paul Haas in what proved to be a come-from-behind victory for the team of Posey and Victor Castillo in the post biathlon relay.

Posey and Castillo covered the 1.9 mile running course and the 400-yd swim in a total time of 14.43 to establish a new course record.

Posey's 9.52 performance in the running event was enough inspiration for his teammate from the Aquarius Swim Club. Castillo knifed through the water devouring the twelve second margin given to Haas by teammate Darling. After 200 yds and with six lengths remaining, Castillo pulled even and then went ahead of the fading Haas to win the 400-yd free-style in 4.33.

Other efforts included Jim Moore's 9.45 time in the 1.9 run and Linda Wettstein's 12.13, the fastest women's time for the run, combined with her teammate's 6.04 time in the

Final league game results re as follows:

FORT SCOTT LEAGUE
MSAD, 12—MSC, LAMC, 1
Doctors 7—864th Engrs, 5
PHS, 10—170th MP, 1
Oakland, 22—51st Engrs, 2
Coast Guard, 4—Sixth Army, 1
PRESIDIO LEAGUE
LAIR No. 1, 8—Attorneys, 3
LAIR No. 1, 6—INSCOM, 2

Final Standings

FORT SCOTT LEAGUE		
Team	Won	Lost
Doctors	15	3
Sixth Army	15	3
864th Engrs	14	4
Oakland	13	5
PHS	9	9
Coast Guard	7	11
170th MP	7	11
MSAD	4	14
51st Engrs	4	14
MSC, LAMC	2	16

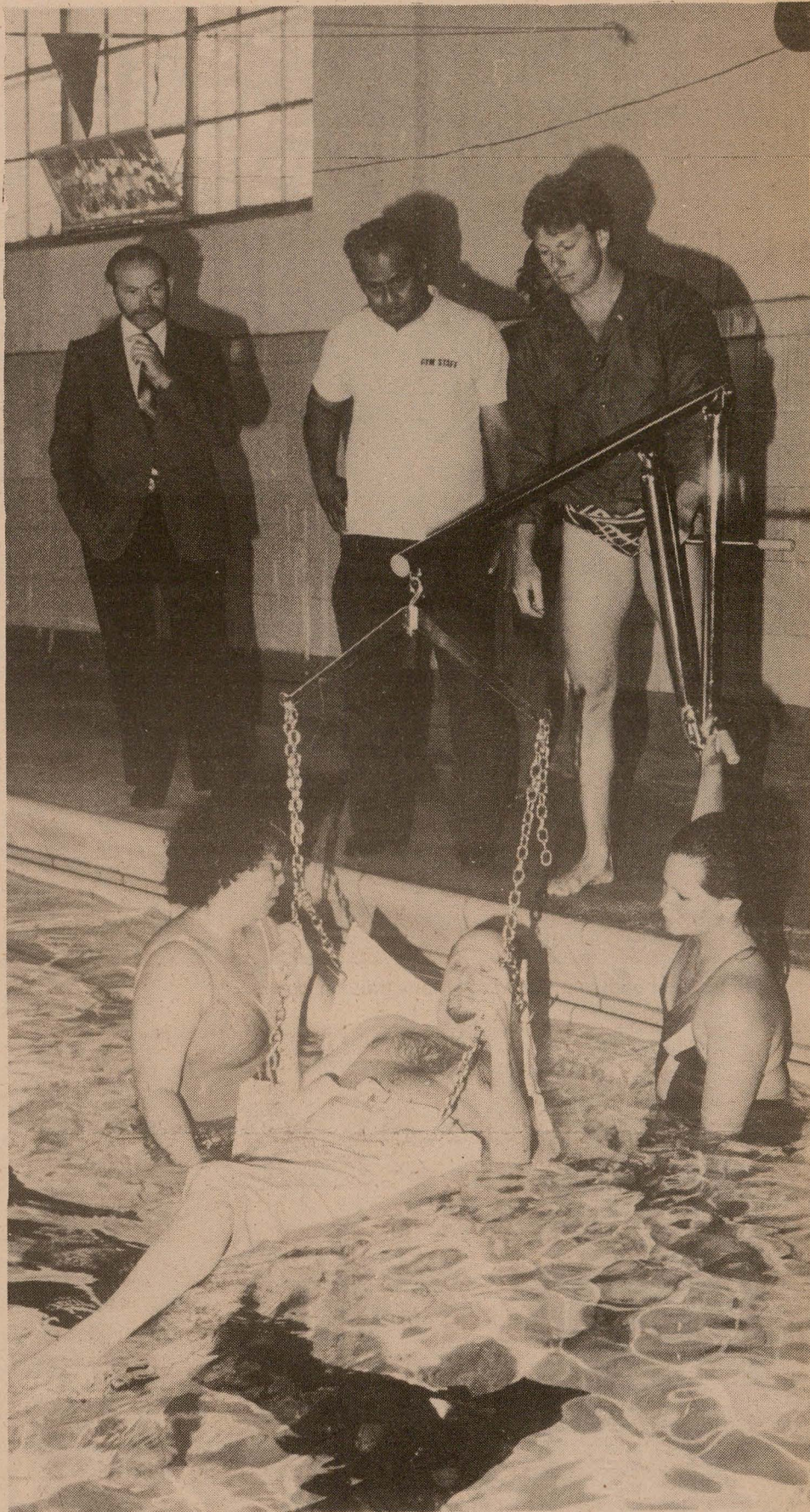
PRESIDIO LEAGUE		
Team	Won	Lost
LAIR No. 1	17	1
B Co, LAMC	15	3
USAC	15	3
Four Seasons	13	5
INSCOM	8	10
Attorneys	8	10
LAIR No. 2	4	14
USACC	3	15
504th MP Co	Dropped	
163rd MP Co	Dropped	

The annual DYA All-Star Game saw the Totems and Padres combine to defeat the Seals and Solons 10-0.

First Baseman Hillary Butler of the Totems hit a two-run homer and pitcher Randy Jett of the Padres added three RBI's for the win.

DYA minor leaguers went on to face competition from other posts in an area all-star tournament held at Treasure Island Friday and Saturday.

The Presidio team narrowly lost their first game 4-3 at the hands of host Treasure Island, before being blown out by Moffett Field 12-7 in an offensive battle.



Getting a lift

Photo by Dan Jackson

A group of swimmers gather at the post swimming pool to try the new lift for handicapped people. The lift allows even quadraplegic people to enjoy the water.

Kayaking class

The Sports Branch may be offering a class in kayaking if there is sufficient interest. The classes would meet once a week and offer instruction in fundamental skills. If interested contact Rey Mey at the post swimming pool, ext. 3673.

Dance exercise

Dance exercise classes will be offered at post gym no. 1, bldg. 63, starting Aug. 17. Class schedule is as follows:

- 11:30-12:30 p.m.-Beginner/Intermediate-Monday/Wednesday/Friday
- 11:30-12:30 p.m.-Beginner/Intermediate-Monday/Wednesday
- 11:30-12:30 p.m.-Beginner/Intermediate-Wednesday/Friday
- 12:30-1:30 p.m.-Beginner/Intermediate-Monday/Wednesday/Friday
- 12:30-1:30 p.m.-Beginner/Intermediate-Monday/Wednesday
- 12:30-1:30 p.m.-Beginner/Intermediate-Wednesday/Friday

For 12 one-hour lessons the cost is

\$30. Eight one-hour lessons cost \$20.

For additional information call ext. 4120/5032.

Biathlon relay

The next biathlon event has been scheduled for Aug. 12 at the post swimming pool. It will be an "iron person" event in which all entrants will compete in both legs of the event. For further information contact Ray Mey at ext. 3673.

Tennis tournament

The 1981 Post Tennis Tournament will start next Friday, with competition in each division being double elimination with singles play only. The tournament divisions are:

- Open Division—33 years old, and under
- Junior Vets Division—34 to 44
- Senior Division—45 and over
- Women's Division(Open only)

All matches will be the best two out of three sets, to determine the winner. The nine point tie-breaker rule will apply when the score is 6-6.

News Notes



Photo of the Week

This week's photo of the week winner is John Green. His nighttime shot of the Golden Gate Bridge has earned him the Photo of the Week honors. We accept

black and white and color prints entries during normal duty hours in room 216, bldg. 37.

Commander's cup

The 1981 Commander's Cup Golf Tournament will be held at the Presidio Army Golf Course on August 12-13, starting at 8 a.m.

The Callaway system will be used for scoring for persons who do not have an established handicap at the course.

Active duty personnel assigned or

attached to the Presidio are eligible to participate in the Senior and Open Divisions. Senior Division is 40 years old and over and the Open Division is for 39 year olds and under.

Awards will be presented to the two low gross and low net scores in each division, however, an individual can only win one award. Low gross score will be awarded first.

Clubs may be rented at Out-

door Recreation, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Units or individuals desiring to enter the tournament are requested to contact the Sports Branch, ext. 5032, by Aug. 5.

Parent youth club

The Presidio Parent/Youth Club symbol contest has been extended to Aug. 15. Entries should be turned into the Morale Support Office. Any questions concerning this event should be directed to Mike Witmer, 668-0315/561-3069 or Bartley Porter, at 561-5143.

Tahoe condos

Starting Sept. 1, reservations for all Outdoor Rec condominiums at Lake Tahoe will be accepted at 8:30 rather than 11 a.m. The priorities remain the same. The Outdoor Rec Center is in bldg. 92, ext. 4324.

Creative Cottage

The Creative Cottage, Bldg. 558, will be closed the month of July. It will reopen Aug. 11. Hours will remain the same: Tuesday, Wednes-

day and Thursday, 11 a.m.-3:30 p.m., and the first Saturday of every month, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Soldiers, dependents and civilians working on Presidio are urged to bring in their original handmade items for the fall season.

Boat orientation

Boat orientation classes will be held Wednesday and Aug. 4 a noon and Aug. 18 at 4:30 p.m. in the Outdoor Recreation Center in Bldg. 92. For more information call ext. 4324.

Books wanted

The USS CORAL SEA CV-43 will leave for overseas deployment on August 20, 1981. The San Francisco Coral Sea Committee is trying to gather a van load of paper back books and magazines to place aboard the Coral Sea the day before she sails.

The place to bring your books and magazines of all types is again, **The Avenue Motors, 714 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco.** Please place books and magazines in cardboard boxes for better handling.

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At the movies

Presidio Theater

July 23	Caveman (PG)	7 p.m.
July 24	Caveman (PG)	7 p.m.
July 25	Hercules (G)	2 p.m.
July 25	Flash Gordon (PG)	7 p.m.
July 26	Outland (R)	7 p.m.
July 27	Outland (R)	7 p.m.
July 28	Outland (R)	7 p.m.
July 29	The Fan (R)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

July 23	Smokey and the Bandit II (PG)	7 p.m.
July 24	The Exterminator (R)	7 p.m.
July 27	Caveman (PG)	7 p.m.
July 28	Flash Gordon (PG)	7 p.m.
July 29	Outland (R)	7 p.m.

Soldier convicted of sex offenses

A Letterman soldier was convicted by a special court martial July 20 for sex offenses he committed in March.

The soldier, Sp4 Gilbert Hildago of Company A, Letterman Army Medical Center (LAMC), was sentenced by the court to three months' confinement at hard labor and reduction to the grade of private.

According to Capt. Jeannie Bartlett, prosecutor in the case, Hildago entered the LAMC female barracks in Bldg. 213 in the early morning hours of

Mar. 22. He entered the cubicle of a female soldier and committed an unspecified "indecent act."

Following the indecent act, Hildago assaulted the women. Bartlett said this act of assault brought further charges of "assault and battery" on Hildago.

After leaving the cubicle, Hildago went into another female soldier's room. Although the occupant was not there at first, Hildago waited for her to return and when she did, he attempted to kiss

and fondle her. This led to charges of "indecent assault."

Neither victim was raped or seriously injured physically.

Hildago had pleaded not guilty. The court took two hours of deliberation to convict him of all three charges.

Post officials state that the case and conviction shows that the military justice system will punish those guilty of sexual assaults.

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photo by Tim Dewar

Still a free ride?

As schools gear up to reconvene soon, nearly 250 post parents await word of possible charges for bus service. The post may be forced to charge nearly \$200 per child to transport first through fifth graders to area private schools. Story on page 3.

Up 10 percent

Cocaine, pill use soars to new highs

Post officials are alarmed by figures released this week, which show a jump in cocaine use by Presidio soldiers.

According to Maj. Robert McKenzie, chief of the Human Resources Development Division (HRDD), his figures show that one in every ten or 10 percent of the soldiers tested through command directed urinalysis show evidence of cocaine use.

McKenzie contrasts that 10 percent figure with last year's statistics which showed "negligible" cocaine use of less than one percent.

"It is evident," McKenzie says, "that we have a cocaine problem here. Cocaine is becoming the drug of choice for our soldiers and its use is beginning to overshadow that of alcohol and marijuana."

The figures were collected over a six month period from January through June this year.

The HRDD study also points to a reappearance of the use of a number

of pills such as amphetamines and barbituates.

Calling the urinalysis testing program "the primary means of identifying hard drug use," McKenzie labelled post-wide efforts to use the program "inadequate."

He notes that the figures used in his study came from increasingly fewer numbers of persons being referred to his office for testing and he cites no participation by tenant units as a major problem with the Presidio testing program.

McKenzie also points out that the figures reflect only drug use by soldiers in the grades of E-1 through E-5. Plans are now being formulated to increase testing of senior NCOs and officers, McKenzie says.

One unit, the 504 MP Battalion, recently completed a unit sweep which tested 396 soldiers. Results from that sweep, conducted July 16, should be received by McKenzie this week. Combined with earlier figures, the results should give HRDD officials a clearer picture of on post drug use.

Travel rates change

Travel pay went up for the second time in less than a year this month, but post finance officials report that very few soldiers will get a chance to cash in on the new travel rates.

Effective July 1, soldiers on permanent change of station orders were authorized 13 cents a mile and \$50 a

day for the official distance of their PCS moves. The old rate was seven cents a mile and \$35 a day.

Mary Guthrie, chief of the Presidio Travel Pay Section, received word early this week from the Joint Travel

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Next time I'll go with the Army!

by K. Douglas Cook

"Just picture yourself... a million stars above you, the wind whispering through the pines, the sounds of nature and all that fresh sea air!"

Now that's what my buddy O'Roon said to me while proposing a weekend camping trip up the coast. Normally O'Roon can be found about 40 or so stories above San Francisco or in one of many local elegant city eating places, so I was just a little surprised at the offer.

"O'Roon," I asked, "I thought the only breeze you really enjoyed was the one which blew off your whiskey and rocks?"

Next thing I know, I'm up at the Presidio's Outdoor Recreation office, checking out things I once had promised myself I would never use or be near again! After "camping out" with Uncle Sam's Army for a number of years, my desire to rough it was less than great.

You really have to hand it to the folks up at Rec Services. They've got just about everything any camper, however unwilling, would need. So, with a tent, lanterns, sleeping bags, back packs, canteens, ice chest (I was being realistic) and assorted odds and ends, O'Roon and I struck out for the wilds of Mendocino County.

That I'm writing this to you is proof that I somehow managed to live through the weekend, although through no fault of O'Roon's! The cost of the adventure was small, when you consider the bargain basement rates charged by Outdoor Rec. Yet, I do feel an obligation to offer each of you would-be campers a list of rules about this sport:

1. No tent, however simple and idiot-proof, can be put up by following instructions.

2. Your tent will always be in the lowest spot in the area and always



next to the home of a wild creature which only comes out at night.

3. The distance to a point away from your camp is exactly one-half the return distance and everything is always uphill when you're tired.

4. Wood fires only burn brightly when you've finally given up and crawled into your sleeping bag.

5. It is impossible to cook a TV dinner on a camp fire.

6. If there's only two square feet of

poison oak in the entire area, you will be the one to sit in it.

7. No matter how isolated your camp site, you can be certain a 24 foot recreational vehicle with two motorcycles, eight children and a gas-powered 10,000 watt generator will pull in next to you within three hours.

8. If you make scrambled eggs in the morning, it will rain just when

9. You will have to use the bathroom at 3 a.m. on the darkest, coldest, foggiest and quietest night in recorded history.

10. Despite what they teach you in the Boy Scouts, in the Army or at camp... the best way to relax and eat well while camping is to be absolutely certain the place you camp at has two important things: a bar and room service.

Next week you'll see a lot of changes

Some of you may be shocked when you pick up next week's paper. That's when a number of changes will take effect.

The most noticeable change will be our size. Starting with the Aug. 6 edition the pages will be almost four inches shorter. We are reducing the size of the paper in order to offset an increase in the number of copies printed. We have heard from many of you that you never see the newspaper and so next week we'll be printing an

additional 2000 copies. To pay for those extra copies, we are forced to trim the paper's size.

Because we will lose about 20 inches on each page, competition for space in the **Star Presidian** will necessarily increase. Page 8 where we print our News Notes section, will be the page for which competition for space will be most fierce. We feel that the News Notes section fulfills an obligation we have to the Presidio community and we know that it

serves as an important source of information for many of you. But the fact remains that starting next week we will have a greatly reduced space to work with and we hope you will understand.

Also next week, you will begin seeing a want ads section for which many of you have been asking. The ads will be run as part of the News Notes section.

Most of the other changes will be

design modifications which are aimed at making the **Star Presidian** more attractive and easier to read. As some of you have noticed, we have been slowly changing our look over the past several months and by next week we should be finished with our redesign efforts.

We hope you appreciate the changes next week and we welcome your comments. It is, after all, your paper.

The Editor

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The evening was great

Dear Editor,

On July 21, my husband and I attended the Sixth Army band concert in the LAIR auditorium.

We were captivated and enthralled for an entire hour. I was raised in our nation's capitol and I consider myself a fair-to-average judge of band music. The Sixth Army band certainly ranks among the best. The evening was indeed a treat and much appreciated privilege.

There was only a handful of people in attendance in this marvelous auditorium. I realize that many people working in the Presidio do not care to make the long return trip from their homes in the evening. I wish there were some way to bring the concerts before a larger audience, which could provide the standing ovation this great and delightful band deserves. I intend to bring a few of my friends to the next concert.

Madge Knox

Post may charge for bus service

Nearly 250 Presidio parents may be paying as much as \$200 more to send their children to area private schools this year if a request for an exception to policy is not granted by US Forces Command (FORSCOM) officials.

The extra charge will be for bus service to and from private schools which the post has offered to parents of first through fifth graders free of charge.

According to Bruce Terpstra, transportation branch chief, FORSCOM is reviewing a Presidio request to be exempt from regulations which require that the government be reimbursed for the bus service.

Terpstra says that the issue arose following a FORSCOM inspection in January which discovered the free bus practice. Although post officials were able to continue the service through the school year, some decision must be made now before school reconvenes, he says.

The request for the exception to policy, which was sent out early this

week, notes that the Presidio is unique in that it is located in a large metropolitan area and that the bus service is important to the morale and welfare of post soldiers.

Terpstra is hopeful that the request will be granted by FORSCOM and stresses that the charging of fees to parents will be a last resort. One move that transportation officials are contemplating is to charge the private schools for the service.

Even if forced to charge parents, Terpstra says that the \$197 per child price tag is not yet firm and could be much less.

The imposition of fees would only affect parents of private school children. Those attending public schools are serviced by San Francisco school system busses. The city public schools are already reimbursed for their costs in the form of federal impact aid payments.

The news comes on the heels of word that both the Novato and Sausalito school systems will be charging parents for daily bus service.

Former chief dies

A former commander of Sixth Army died of cancer Sunday evening at Silas B Hays Army Hospital at Fort Ord.

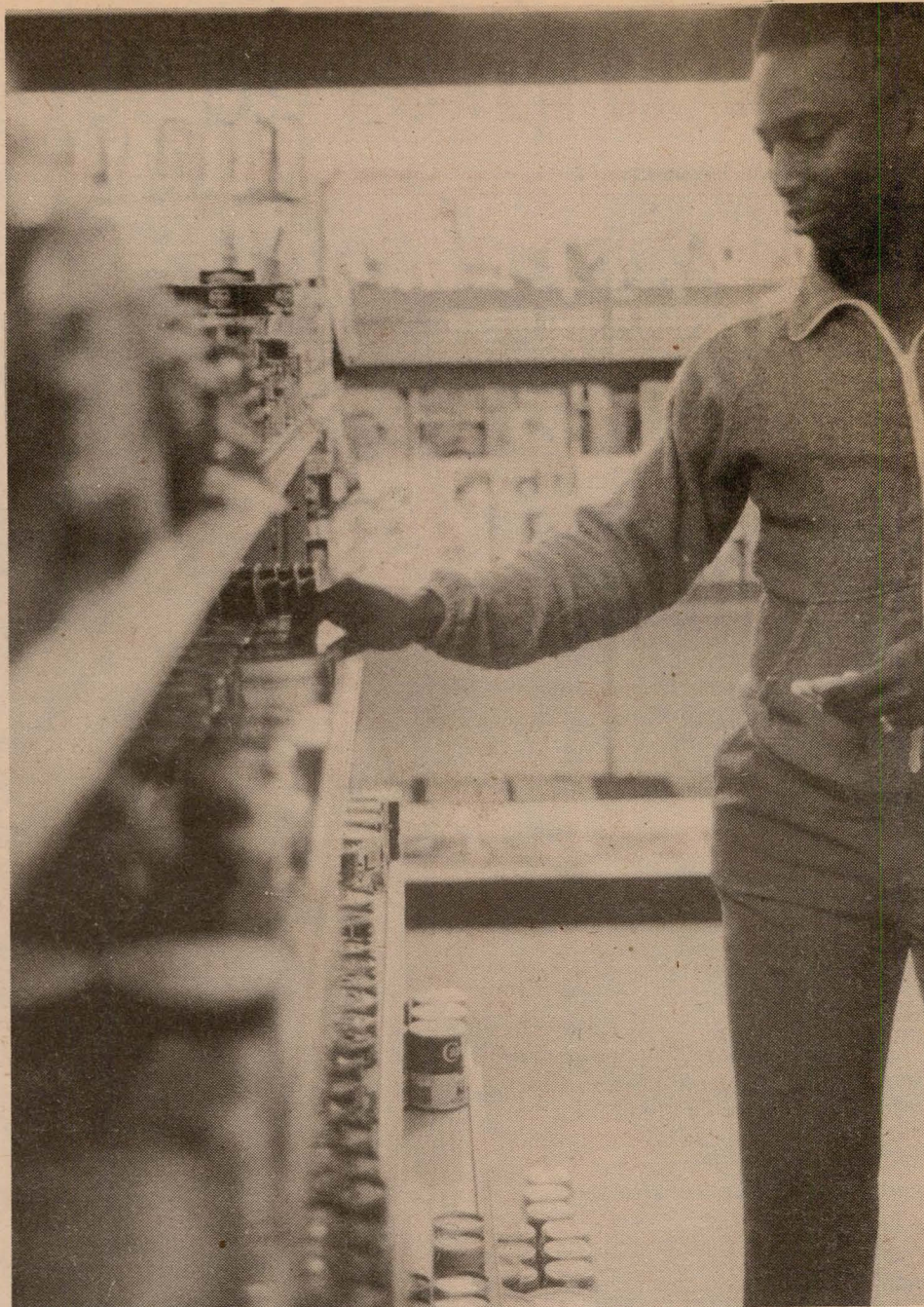
The death of retired General Ben Harrell, who commanded Sixth Army from Aug. 1967 to July 1968, was announced Tuesday by Secretary of the Army John O. Marsh and Army Chief of Staff Gen. Edward Meyer.

In making the announcement,

Marsh and Meyer said of Harrell's death, "with his passing, the Army has lost a distinguished leader and the nation, an outstanding citizen."

A military funeral for Harrell will be held at the San Francisco National Cemetery here on Saturday at 2 p.m.

As a mark of respect to Harrell, flags Army-wide will be flown at half-staff Saturday.



One soldier does some Saturday shopping.

photo by Tim Dewar

Fort Scott exchange opens on Saturdays

The Fort Scott Post Exchange (PX), Building 1226, opened its doors Saturday in a move aimed at increasing its support to Presidio soldiers who live in barracks at Fort Scott.

On a trial basis, the Saturday openings will continue as long as customer support is good according to PX officials.

"We will be open from 11 a.m. to 3

p.m. on Saturdays for a few weeks to see how much business we get and to see if staying open weekends will be worth it," explains Mary Lou Kates, the Fort Scott branch manager.

It is hoped by officials that by opening the Ft. Scott branch, that it will eliminate the need for soldiers to go to the main PX or off post for convenience items on the weekends.

Dec. 14-Jan. 9

Army announces early out dates

The Department of the Army has announced the dates for early separation during the Christmas holidays.

Unless they desire to be retained on active duty until their normal release date, all ORV officers and all enlisted personnel whose ESA or FTS is between Dec. 14 and Jan. 9 will be separated for the convenience of the government during Dec. 10-18, or as soon as practicable thereafter, according to DA.

To provide orderly and equitable separation, the following schedule will be followed as closely as possible.

Current ESA/ ETS Date	Target Sep Date
Dec. 14-18	Dec. 10
Dec. 19-22	Dec. 11
Dec. 23-26	Dec. 14
Dec. 27-28	Dec. 15
Dec. 29-Jan. 2	Dec. 16
Jan. 3-6	Dec. 17
Jan. 7-9	Dec. 18

Officers eligible for release under this policy may be retained on active duty by their command until their normal release date when opera-

tional needs dictate.

The following personnel are not eligible for early release:

- Reserve component personnel (officer and enlisted) undergoing ADT under special training programs.
- Officers who have DA approved REFRAD or resignation dates.
- Officers being involuntarily relieved from active duty on a specific date as directed by DA other than early release.
- Personnel scheduled for retirement.
- Personnel to whom the provisions of AR 600-31 apply.
- Personnel whose normal ETS or release date does not fall within Dec. 14-Jan. 9.

When a service member who is eligible for early release under this message requests terminal leave in conjunction with separation and the commander approves this request, the DEROS or "will proceed" date will be computed from the member's adjusted ESA/ETS established in this message and not from the member's original ETS.



A round hits home on the zero range.

Photo by Jon Chelgren

Fire!

Nearly 250 qualify at Fort Ord

Nearly 250 post soldiers qualified during annual weapons training with the M16-A1 rifle at Fort Ord last week.

As part of the yearly weapons qualification, soldiers from USAG Sixth Army, Readiness Region Nine, the 504th MP Battalion and other tenant units were sent to the Fort Ord ranges to qualify July 21, 22 and 23. Only three of the 250 personnel did not qualify, according to USAG officials.

USAG training officer, 1st Lt. Bruce Uphoff explained that the biggest problem they faced was the

weather.

"It was really foggy, so we had to wait for visibility to improve on the first day, but after that things went pretty smoothly," he said.

The new range facilities being built at the Parks Reserve Forces Training Area, Camp Parks, is expected to make it easier for Presidio soldiers to qualify next year.

"Hopefully when we go again, probably sometime in January, we will be able to use Camp Parks, because it is closer, and it will be a newer range," Uphoff adds.

New improved learning center opens



Soldiers now have one stop service at the center.

photo by Tim Dewar

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The Learning Resource Center reopened Monday and is now co-located with the MOS Library in Building 1216.

The move was aimed at convenience for users of the center means that the Learning Resource Center is now able to offer one stop-service to meet the training needs of commanders and individual soldiers, according to center officials.

"Before we moved, if someone wanted to check out reference material from the MOS library, they had to go over to the Education Center," PFC Martha Smith, a center worker, explains. "It was a real inconvenience, here it is all together and if we need something, it is right here."

The center offers a host of support for Presidio soldiers says Tommy Morgan, the center's manager.

"Support is available for soldiers to upgrade their MOS skills, prepare for skill qualification tests (SQT) and promotion boards, as well as many other areas of training support," he says.

Training equipment is available and most of it can be checked out for use outside the center. The center's classroom is also available for unit training classes.

'I was shocked'

Finance worker buried under boyfriend's buds

by Tim Dewar

April showers aren't the only thing that brings flowers, so does one post employee's fiance.

Nineteen bouquets of assorted flowers were delivered to Ginger Sies as a present for her 26th birthday Friday at the travel section of finance where she works.

The flowers, along with a singing telegram and heart shaped pillow were sent by her fiance, Andy

Anderson, who is a post teletype repairman.

She claims she was not surprised when the flower truck pulled up until the delivery lady got out with four bouquets in her hands.

"I was expecting something to happen, but I didn't think it would be this," she explains. "She brought the flowers up and said that there were more. By the time they had finished unloading them," she adds, "I was totally shocked."



Thank God it's not poison oak.

photo by Tim Dewar

Hoping for end to blood donor slump

Post officials are becoming increasingly concerned about post-wide lack of support for blood drives. They are urging everyone to give during the third quarterly drive set for Aug. 14 at the NCO club beginning at 8 a.m.

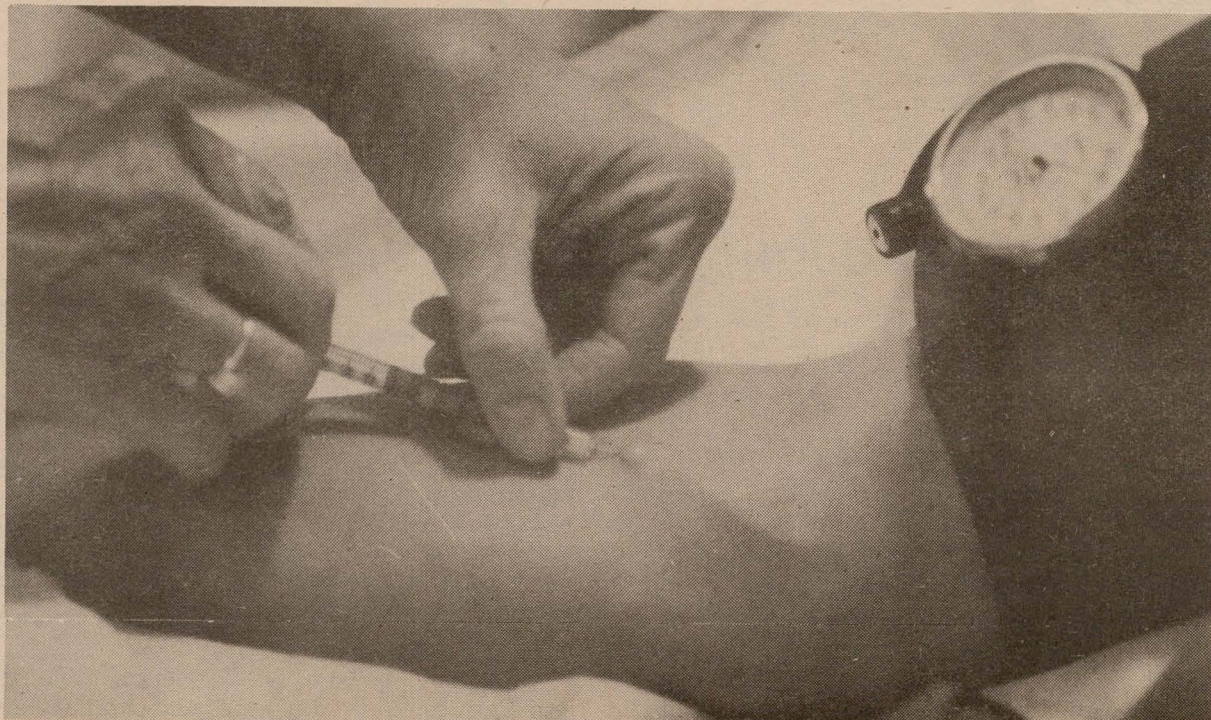


photo by Tim Dewar

'We handle 1000 pounds a day'



Pvt Jim Alexander unloads the mail.

Story and photos by Tim Dewar

Providing daily mail support to the Presidio might not be easy, but at least they don't have to worry about being bitten by dogs.

The nine members of the Mail and Distribution section for the Presidio are tasked with collecting, sorting, metering and disbursing all official Presidio mail.

"We handle on an average of 1000 pounds of mail a day, from all over post, both incoming and outgoing," explains Sp5 James Riemer, acting NCOIC.

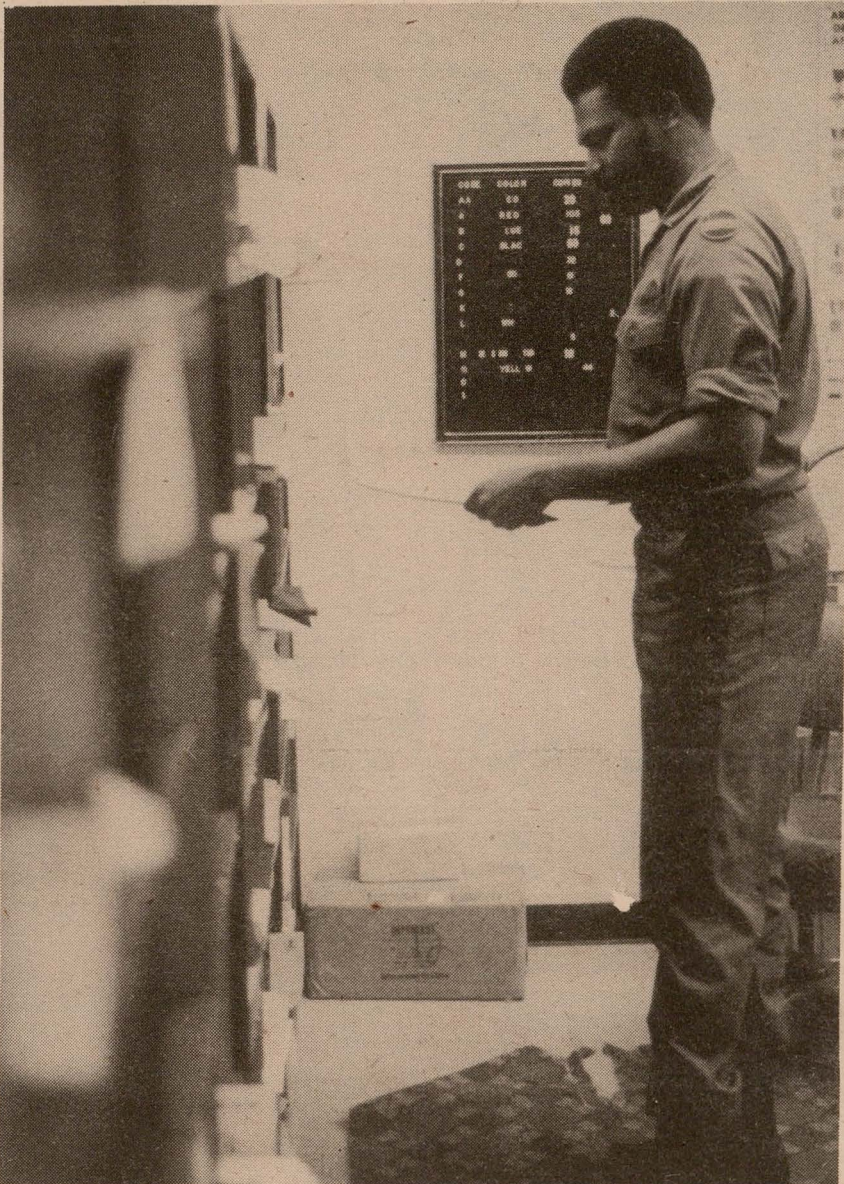
Since the Presidio switched to the metered mail system this spring, equipment breakdown has been one

of the biggest problems in getting the mail out on time.

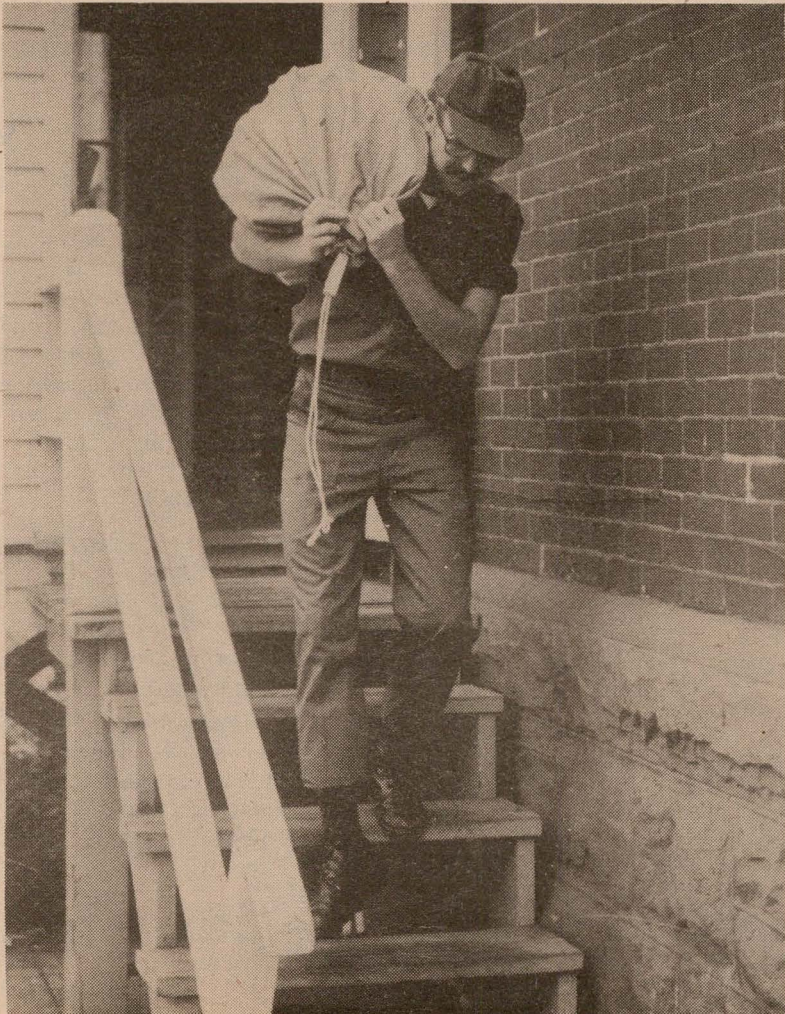
"The metering machines break down about twice a week, and there are only a few people who know how to fix them in the area, so we may have to wait to get them fixed," Riemer states.

Delivering the mail on time requires cooperation from everyone who sends packages or letters through the distribution system.

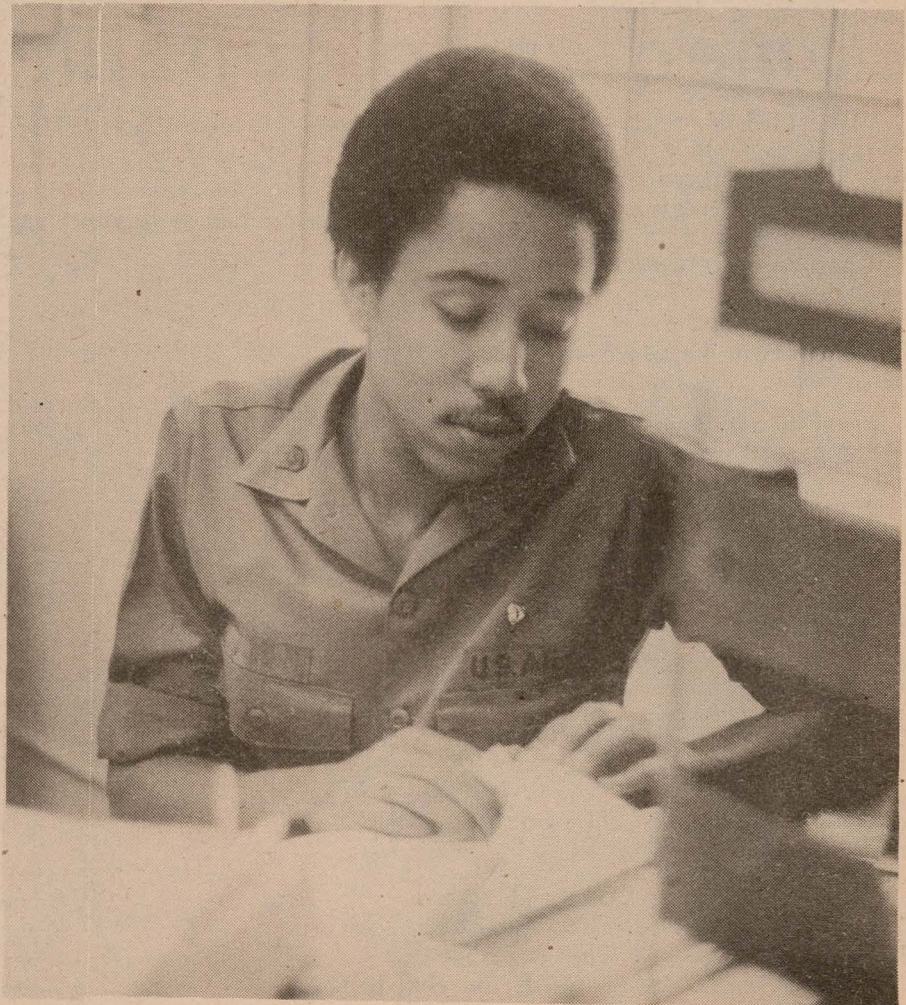
"If people do not affix the correct stamp, zip code or return address, the item is more likely to be held up, so it is important to check everything carefully before dropping it into the distribution box," he notes.



Sp4 Donald Benton distributes the mail.

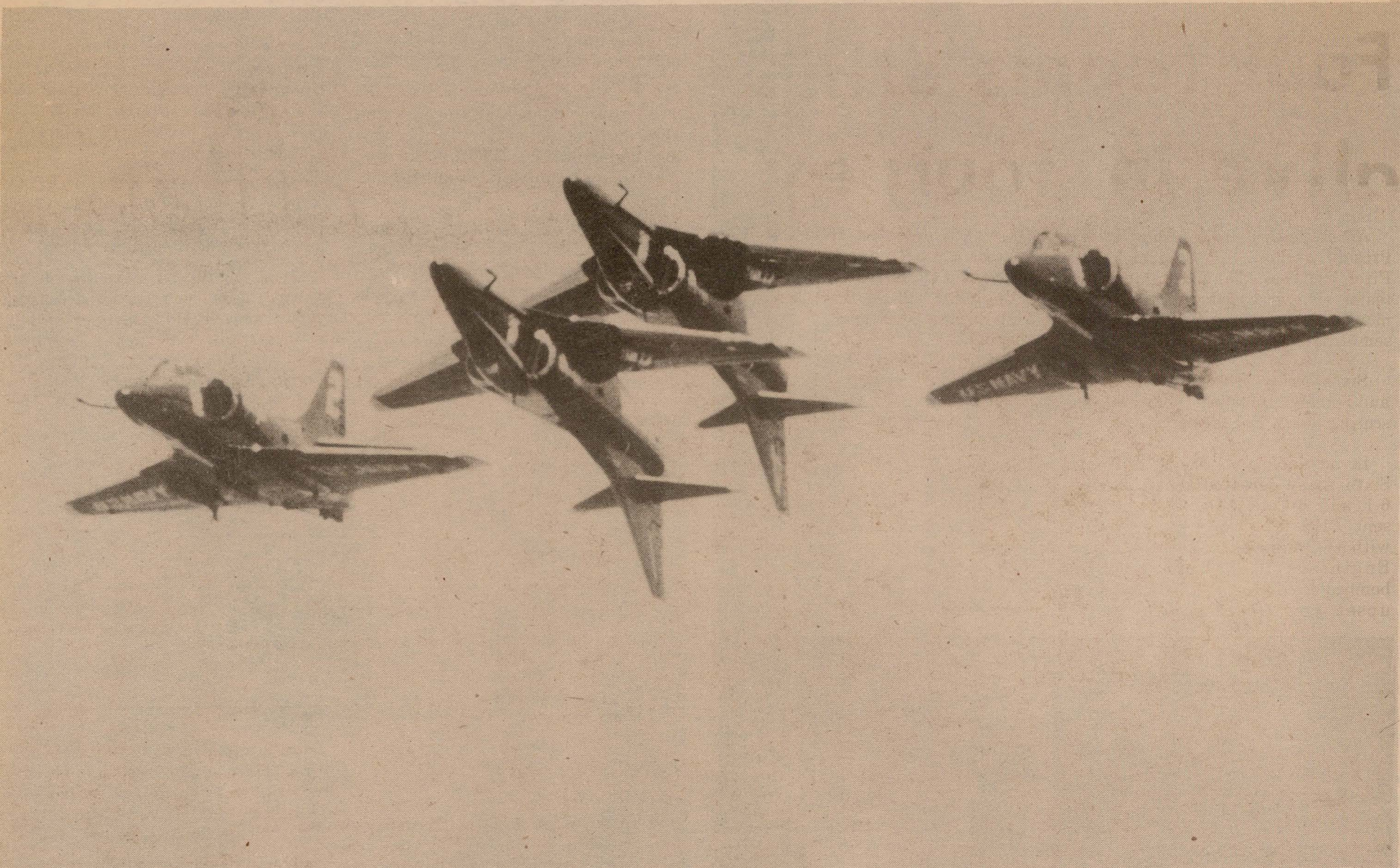


Alexander picks up Presidio's mail from the post office.



Sp5 Leonard Martin separates orders to go to COMPACT.

Time to spare



The Navy's Blue Angels will be one of two flight demonstration teams.

Travis to host 'Air Expo 81' show

The Travis Air Force Base open house, called "Air Expo 81," will feature two major flight demonstration teams.

Highlights of the two day event will be the aerial acrobatics of the Canadian Air Force's "Snowbirds" and the U. S. Navy's "Blue Angels."

The Snowbirds will perform at 11 a.m. and the Blue Angels at 3:30 p.m. on August 15 and 16.

Ground displays of Travis own Military Airlift Command aircraft

will also be available.

Gates will open to the public at 10 a.m. both days and will be closed to the non-military guests at 5:30 p.m. each day.

The aircraft ground displays will feature the C-141 Starlifter and the C-5 Galaxy.

The Starlifter was the first jet aircraft design, engineered, and built to military specifications for the transportation of cargo and people. Recent modifications have stretched the C-141 cargo capacity by 30 per-

cent. The addition of in-flight refueling equipment gives the already highly efficient workhorse an unlimited distance range capacity.

The C-5 Galaxy is the largest aircraft in existence. It's mission is intercontinental jet speed transportation of massive cargo. A passenger compartment allows the operators of the outsize equipment to fly with their machinery. The plane is so large that its wing span is longer than the distance flown by the Wright Brothers on their first flight.

Special performances by the USAF Band of the Golden Gate and the Military; Working Dog section are planned. The working dogs will demonstrate their obedience, attack, and detection capabilities.

For the comfort of our visitors, food and drink concessions will be placed near the display area. Portable restrooms will be readily available.

Travis holds an annual public visitation day to give Americans a chance to visit and become familiar with their military bases.

Comedian to appear at Rec Center Monday

The well-known San Francisco comedian, Billy Jaye, will host "Monday DJ Night" starting in August at 8 p.m. at the Recreation Center. Jaye performs regularly in the Bay Area and has been featured on television as well. Refreshments will be served during this program.

Recreation Center regular features:

Presidio Modern Square Dance Group meets every Thursday at 7

p.m. at the Community Center, bldg. 1299;

Computer class meets on Mondays for the remainder of July at 7 p.m. at the Recreation Center. Starting in August, the Computer Class will meet on Thursdays.

Hank's pool instruction and the Presidio Chess Club also meet on Thursdays at 7 p.m. at the Recreation Center.

Private piano lessons at \$5.00 per half hour are available through the Recreation Center. Please call for more details on ext. 2000.

Tickets available for sale:

Great America—\$8.50—regularly \$11.95

Marine World Africa USA—\$6.75 and \$4.75—regularly \$8.95 and \$5.95.

Reno Hospitality Book—\$2.25.

Lion Country Safari tickets (in Irvine, CA)—\$4.25 and \$2.75—regularly \$5.95 and \$3.73.

Discount coupons for local events and events in Southern California. Stop by and take a look at what we have.

Boxing at Circle Star Theatre for July 31. \$15.00—discounted from \$20.00

TOURS:

Several tours are being sponsored by the Recreation Center in the near future:

Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk on Aug. 22 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. for \$5 per person. Transportation will be deluxe commercial motorcoach.

Russian River Western Tour is planned for Aug. 29 from 12:30 p.m. to midnight for \$10 per person. This tour will consist of a champagne tasting tour, swimming at the pool of the Rio Nido Lodge, a cowboy supper consisting of barbecued beef, ribs, or chicken, beans, spuds, sourdough rolls with butter and honey, spice cake, coffee or lemonade. To finish off the evening there will be live entertainment by "Riders of the Circle T," a country-western band. Tour Spaces are limited.

Canoe Trip on the Russian River, Sept. 12, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. for \$25 per person. This is the second canoe trip of the season. Spaces for this trip are filled strictly on a first-come basis.

For additional information concerning Recreation Center activities, please call ext. 2000. Ticket sales and distribution of discount coupons are available after 4 p.m.

Center closed

During the months of July and August, the Recreation Center will be closed Tuesday and Wednesdays.

At the movies

Presidio Theater		
July 30	This Is Elvis (PG)	7 p.m.
July 31	This Is Elvis (PG)	7 p.m.
Aug. 1	Song Of The South (G)	2 & 7 p.m.
Aug. 2	Nighthawks (R)	7 p.m.
Aug. 3	Nighthawks (R)	7 p.m.
Aug. 4	Tess (PG)	7 p.m.
Aug. 5	The Burning (R)	7 p.m.
Schwartz Theater		
July 30	Outland (R)	7 p.m.
July 31	The Fan (R)	7 p.m.
Aug. 3	This Is Elvis (PG)	7 p.m.
Aug. 4	Song Of The South (G)	7 p.m.
Aug. 5	Nighthawks (R)	7 p.m.

Sports

Four teams still alive in tourney

After the first week of play in the Presidio annual "All Comer's" Slow Pitch Softball Tournament, four teams remain undefeated and have moved into the winner's bracket semi-finals.

Sixth Army will take on USAG and Four Seasons will face the high-scoring 864th Engineers.

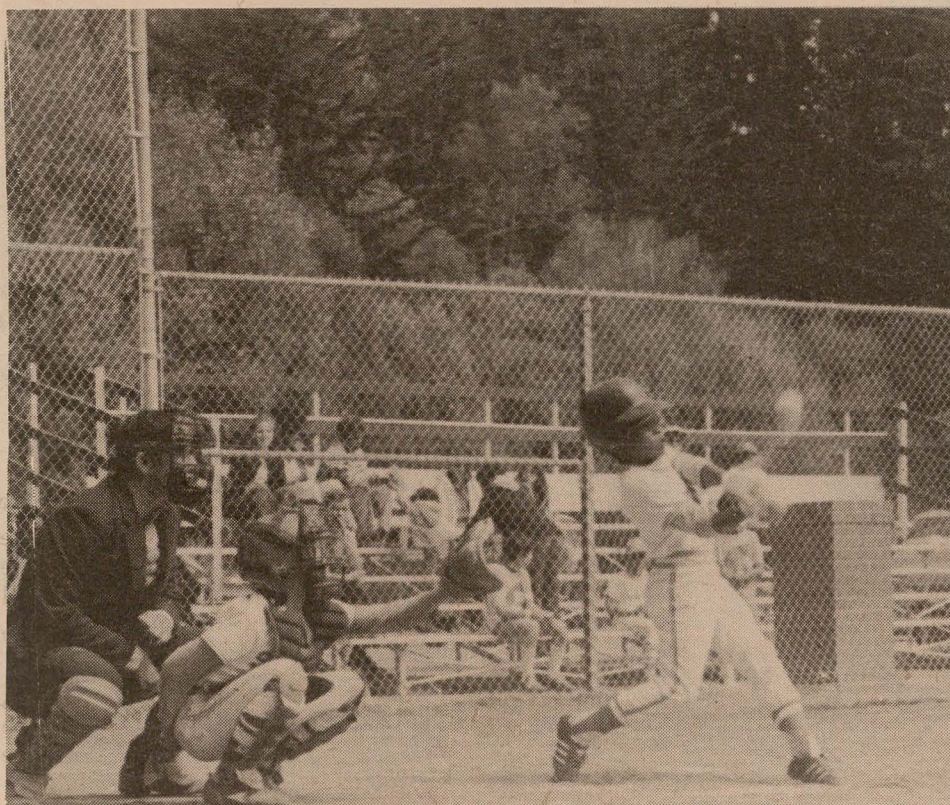
In advancing to the semi-finals, Sixth Army defeated the Attorneys 6-1, and B Co, LAMC 12-10. USAG sent PHS into the loser's bracket with a 6-3 win and then shut-out 51st Engineers 11-0. Four Seasons bombed LAIR No. 2, 15-3, and then upset the Doctors 4-3. 864th

Engineers defeated INSCOM 13-0, and the Coast Guard 12-3.

OTHER TOURNAMENT SCORES

B Co, LAMC, 20-MSAD, 3
51st Engrs, 7-Oakland, 6
Doctors, 11-MSAD, 2 (Eliminated)
Attorneys, 9-MSAD, 2 (Eliminated)
Oakland, 11-PHS, 5 (Eliminated)
Coast Guard, 2-LAIR No. 1, 1
MSC, LAMC, 14-LAIR No. 2, 4 (Eliminated)
INSCOM, 5-LAIR No. 1, 4 (Eliminated)

The finals of the loser's bracket will be played on Monday and the championship game on Wednesday. All games starting at 6 p.m. at Fort Scott Field No. 1.



Post youths swing away as the season ends.

photo by Jon Chelgren

All-stars bounce back

The Presidio Major League All Stars started the annual Treasure Island baseball tournament on a sour note Saturday, by being shut out 14-0 by the Pinole Hercules.

Falling into the loser's bracket, they faced their next opponent, Lafayette-Moraga. They jumped out to an early lead and held on to win 14-3, on errorless ball playing and great pitching.

Super base running was displayed by the All Star's Joey McBarry, Jeffery Hill, Richard Mead, Eric Bjornsen, Reggie King, Robbie Newton, Darren Mazza, Victor McDonald, and Robbie McCauley.

The winning pitchers for the game

were Newton and McDonald, each giving three outstanding innings apiece.

In their next game, the Presidians met an old rival, the San Francisco Flame Astros, who never has lost to a Presidio team. In a hard fought game, the All Stars upset their opponents 5-4 behind Robbie Newton's in the ball park home run in the bottom of the last inning, knocking in Hill and himself for the game winning runs.

Other heavy hitters were Richard Mead, Jeffery Hill, and Reggie King. The pitcher Victor McDonald went the distance, giving up only three hits and three walks.

saw Williams and Wettstein, who ran a personnel best time of 2:31, secure fourth.

Highlighting the men's team was Peter Christ and Jimmie Moore. Christ blazed to a 4:18.5 mile for third place, while Moore ran a strong 4:35 mile. The combined scores of the two runners were enough to earn them an impressive seventh place finish. Both men also placed eighth in the 3,000 meter team race.

Runners place fourth

The Presidio running team ventured to Stanford University for the National Corporate Cup Relay Championships recently, where they took an overall fourth place against many strong class AA division teams.

In the women's 440 relay, M. J. Williams, Linda Wettstein and an ailing Rhonda Scott held on to take third place.

The women's 800 meter team race



More softball action is in store as tournaments continue.

photo by Jon Chelgren

Sport Shorts

Football coming

The Police Athletic League has just kicked off its midget tackle football program, for players 11-14. The sponsors, PAL, who are providing everything at no cost, have subdivided the San Francisco area into four divisions with the Presidio falling under Kimball Park, located between Steiner and Geary. Anyone interested in trying out or desiring further information should contact Bill Garrick at 467-6709.

Dance exercise

Dance exercise classes will be offered at post gym no. 1, bldg. 63, starting Aug. 17. Class schedule is as follows:

11:30-12:30 p.m.-Beginner/Intermediate-Monday/Wednesday/Friday

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For 12 one-hour lessons the cost is \$30. Eight one-hour lessons cost \$20.

For additional information call ext. 4120/5032.

Boat orientation

Boat orientation classes will be held Wednesday and Aug. 4 a noon and Aug. 18 at 4:30 p.m. in the Outdoor Recreation Center in Bldg. 92. For more information call ext. 4324.

Kayaking class

The Sports Branch may be offering a class in kayaking if there is sufficient interest. The classes would meet once a week and offer instruction in fundamental skills. If interested contact Rey Mey at the post swimming pool, ext. 3673.

Basketball

The 1981 DYA Basketball program will be getting underway with signups to be conducted on Aug. 8 at the Fort Scott Gym, bldg. 1226,

from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Parents, in addition to accompanying their children who plan on joining, are requested to bring copies of birth certificates, and a \$5.00 registration fee per child.

The divisions or age groups are as follows:

Minor League 8-12
Junior League 13-16

Those people who are interested in coaching and/or officiating are requested to contact Mr. Karl Gaffney at exts. 5328/2070.

Swimming open

The Dependent Youth Activities summer swim program still has some sessions to be filled. There are classes for beginners, advanced beginners, intermediates and swimmers. Register at Bldg. 122, Morale Support Activities. Cost is \$5 per child for the two week session, Aug. 3 to 14.

Biathlon relay

The next biathlon event has been scheduled for Aug. 12 at the post swimming pool. It will be an "iron person" event in which all entrants will compete in both legs of the event. For further information contact Ray Mey at ext. 3673.

Commander's cup

The 1981 Commander's Cup Golf Tournament will be held at the Presidio Army Golf Course on August 12-13, starting at 8 a.m.

The Callaway system will be used for scoring for persons who do not have an established handicap at the course.

Active duty personnel assigned or attached to the Presidio are eligible to participate in the Senior and Open Divisions. Senior Division is 40 years old and over and the Open Division is for 39 year olds and under.

Awards will be presented to the two low gross and low net scores in each division, however, an individual can only win one award. Low gross score will be awarded first.

Units or individuals desiring to enter the tournament are requested to contact the Sports Branch, ext. 5032, by Aug. 5.

News Notes

Meeting set

Are you planning to separate from the military in the next year? Are you an unemployed or under-employed veteran?

If so, you are invited to be at the Hyatt Oakland in Oakland, California on Friday, September 11, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for the veterans job fair.

Hosted by the Non-Commissioned Officers Association, representatives from numerous local, national, and international companies will be on hand to interview applicants for jobs. There is no cost to the job seeker.

For additional information call: 1st Sgt. Doyle Brown, 561-2361; David Mazzetti, 561-6017 or Leon Tonini 771-3000.

Home wanted

The Bay Area housing crunch is beginning to affect more than just the soldiers stationed at the Presidio.

The folks from ACS recently found a homeless feline wandering in the area of the post exchange. The ACS is attempting to find a new home for the cat and would appreciate a call from any interested parties. Their number is ext. 5155.

Tourney coming

A scotch doubles bowling tournament will be held at the Presidio Bowling Center, Saturday & Sunday. Entry fee is \$5. For more information, call Dennis Werne at 561-4921.

Contest extended

The Presidio Parent/Youth Club symbol contest has been extended to Aug. 15. Entries should be turned into the Morale Support Office. Any questions concerning this event

Travel changes

Effective October 1, Headquarters MTMC, Washington, DC, plans to discontinue Category B passenger missions through Travis AFB (SUU). The Category B operation will be transferred to San Francisco International Airport (SFO) with the same channels and frequency of service presently being provided from Travis. Port call requests will then read SFO for movement beginning October 1.

ETS notice

Permanent residence aliens, who have enlisted in the regular Army for a period of 3 years or more and who desire to fulfill naturalization requirements through military service, will not be required to involuntarily separate under the Christmas Early Release Program prior to normal ETS.

Permanent resident aliens such as those above, who desire separation under the Christmas Early Release Program will be counselled as to the ramifications of doing so and a statement placed in the OMPE that in spite of such counselling the soldier still desires early separation.

Class planned

A sign language class may be offered at LAMC if interest is high. If interested in learning this fascinating form of non-verbal communication, please call Speech Pathology and Auditory Evaluation and Treatment Clinic at 4950/5267 and give your name and the days/time you would like the course offered.



Photo of the Week

Sgt. Bill Gibbs is once again our Photo of the Week winner for his shot at the Ancestral Temple in Souel, Korea. His

photo will face other weekly winners in a quarterly competition.

Seminar set

The bi-monthly pre-separation seminar will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 12 at the Fort Scott Education Center, bldg. 1216, from 1:30 to 4 p.m. All soldiers who plan to ETS before Oct. 31 are invited to attend. Topics covered will include veterans benefits, schools, careers, Army Reserves, National Guard, ROTC and other items of interest to the soldier leaving the Army. For further information contact Barbara Hug, ext. 2974/4445 from 7:30-11:00 a.m.

Speakers sought

The Presidio Toastmasters have scheduled meetings August 6 and 20. The club will be meeting on these two Thursdays at LAIR from 12-1 p.m.

These meetings are open to any military or civilian personnel who are interested in learning or improving their ability in public speaking. For further information contact Liz Greeley at ext. 3843.

Travel pay

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Committee in Washington, D.C., that the new rates have not been favorably received by service officials and that action is already underway to return to the old rates.

Guthrie predicts that the committee will complete that action by next month but adds that until that time, the travel section will continue to pay the higher rates authorized under the current guidelines.

The flat \$50 per diem is paid automatically based on the number of days allowed by the Army for travel between the old command and the gaining station. Separation payments made prior to July 1 will not be adjusted under any circumstances to

reflect the new rates, according to Army officials.

PCS travel rates for dependent family members are not affected by the change. Sponsors will continue to receive seven cents a mile for family members 12 years and older, and 3.5 cents for younger children.

Soldiers may receive an advance travel allowance for a PCS move. It is paid by the losing duty station and is based partly on the distance between the losing and gaining units.

The advance is allowed for soldiers only. Travel expenses for family members are paid upon arrival at the new duty station. The advance PCS allowance is normally paid no earlier than 10 days before travel begins.

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photo by Tim Dewar

Accident scene

Emergency personnel load Sp4 David Ward into an ambulance following a serious motorcycle accident on Lincoln Blvd. on Tuesday morning. The 25-year-old supply clerk from the 51st Engineer Detachment was listed in stable condition Wednesday after his motorcycle crashed into the guard rail on Lincoln near the scenic viewpoint.

DoD evaluation

Most reservists unaffected by court decision

The vast majority of Army National Guard and Reserve soldiers are not going to be affected by a recent U.S. Supreme Court decision, according to a recent Department of the Army (DA) news release.

That word contradicts earlier Army estimates of the effect of the court's 5-4 decision in June in the *Monroe v. Standard Oil Company* case.

In that decision, the court ruled that employers need not rearrange schedules to allow workers to make up wages lost because of Guard and Reserve training.

At the time of the decision, the Army had estimated that the ruling would effect 830,000 reservists and set a precedent for 66 similar cases still pending.

The news release, however, states that the Defense Department's general counsel has since evaluated

the decision and cites "unusual" circumstances in the case as the reason for scaling down the estimates of the ruling's effects.

The general counsel points out that Monroe was a refinery worker at a plant which operated continuously on 24-hour, seven-day-a-week shifts. Workers were required to fill rotating shifts on various days which differed from week to week.

The general counsel says that Monroe lost time—and hence pay—not because of discriminatory practices by Standard but because his fellow workers refused to trade week-day for weekend shifts.

The news release also stresses that the ruling reaffirmed reservists' protection against discharge, denial of promotion or other adverse treatment solely because of their military obligations.

Project to slash costs

Post engineers are adding extra insulation to hot water heaters in post quarters starting this week in a drive aimed at cutting more than \$11,000 a year from Presidio energy bills.

According to Danilo Dadios of the energy conservation office at the Directorate of Facilities Engineering, (DFE), the extra fiberglass insulation will be wrapped around the 1260 quarters at the Presidio and its sub-posts.

Initial costs for the project may

run as high as \$20,000, Dadios says, but the program will result in an estimated savings of \$11,260 a year.

The savings will come from cutting the heat lost from the water heaters and thereby reducing the amount of work that the heaters will have to do to keep water hot.

During the installation process, Dadios says that DFE personnel will be making the rounds of all post quarters. He had no estimate on when the project will be wrapped up.

Opinion

Ramblin' Sam

Is there a drug problem here?



1st Lt. Rodney Victorine, PMO

"Yes, we do. I used to live in the barracks and I saw what went on. Stiffer penalties would be one way to stop it. The ADAP programs are only marginally effective because the hard-core users are going to keep on using drugs no matter what."

Sp4 Curt Campbell, LAMC



John Robbins, HRDD

"There are basically two categories under the heading 'dope,' addictive and non-addictive drugs. The non-addictive drugs include marijuana and are used extensively in the Bay Area on a social basis. The addictive drugs are used, but the population of users is much smaller."

"Yes, we do. There is really nothing that can be done to stop it, because it is too accessible. More searches with dogs might help a little though."



SSgt. William Germain, Motor Pool

Commentary

Unskinny is American!

by K. Douglas Cook



Ever wonder why skinny people are so unpopular? I've been doing some serious thinking about unpugginess and have come to a remarkable conclusion-skinny folks are un-American!

This great feat of mind over mass was reached while I was opening a can of American food, with an American can opener, dumping it into an

American pan for me to eat off an American paper plate with an American cola and chips. I could almost hear the national anthem in the distance!

Why, I wondered, are we so obsessed with being skinny? If being otherwise is so bad, why are airlines making their seats wider? So skinny people can sit two to a seat?

And if having a few extra pounds to play with is such a crime, why hasn't someone put Santa Claus in jail?

Look at the popularity of Fats Domino and Fatty Arbuckle! I remember when the movie, "The Blob," was a box-office smash. Have you ever heard anyone ask to have a pillow made thinner? Who would go out and buy a skinny turkey to celebrate Thanksgiving?

A soldier's life General pays fine tribute to soldiers

It was more than just another retirement parade after Brig. Gen. William Winkler, Letterman commander, spoke during July 30 ceremonies on the Sixth Army parade field. His words which are reprinted below, serve as an excellent description of the life of a soldier.

The Editor

"We are gathered to honor five soldiers who are leaving active service after devoting a professional lifetime to the U. S. Army.

Standing in this historic spot, one cannot but wonder how often in the past 300 years this field has felt the marching feet, heard the beat of the drum and bugle call. A tradition of self sacrifice and service was established by the ghostly legions which paraded here. They were supported by families who shared hardship and privation in remote outposts or silently endured the pain of

So you think I should take a look at the models in ads, do you. Well, for your information, they use skinny people because they take up less space in the picture. It's strictly a cost-saving move.

Besides, unpadded people can be dangerous. Ask Ceasar about lean friends. They have sharp, protruding bones which make dents in walls and cause rib fractures in elevators. Skinny people cost the taxpayers money when the Coast Guard has to fish them out of the water after a gust of wind blows them off the Golden Gate Bridge. They use less material for their clothing which depresses the garment industry.

Right in our own national anthem it mentions the "broad stripes." Nothing about skinny there! Yes, sir and ma'am, it's American to be big! Unskinny people support the free enterprise system by buying more food, using more space, wearing more cotton polyester, drinking more beer and forcing those nasty skinnies to think again before placing themselves in our path!

So, the next time someone offers you a low-calorie drink or suggests you shed a few pounds, just look 'em square in their skinny little eyes and tell them you have more respect for your country than that! Then show them you care by offering to share your chocolate bar with them. It's the American way.

separation with the ever present fear of loss of their soldier.

The tradition lives on today. The evidence is in the records of these men standing before you. They have trudged along dusty trails in remote corners of the globe through villages with unpronounceable names and they have watched their comrades bleed and die because they were soldiers.

And their families have waited silently because they are the wives and children of soldiers.

To them duty and country before self is not an ideal but a way of life.

And now they step back into the ranks of "old soldiers." We wish them well. It will be difficult to replace the years of experience represented here, their absence will be felt. Your comrades will miss you. Farewell, farewell."

Brig. Gen. William Winkler

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This doc is really a 'retiring' guy

Some people say that Dr. Alfred Rasmussen is really a 'retiring' guy—or at least he should be after all that practice.

Rasmussen, born in Norway around the turn of the century, already has completed two careers in medicine and is working on a third in the Ambulatory Internal Medicine (AIM) clinic at Letterman Army Medical Center.

"It's my opinion," he explains, "that no one should retire completely from an active life, especially if he or she is physically and mentally competent to continue in some pleasurable endeavor."

Selected recently as the Presidio "Citizen of the Quarter," Rasmussen got into medicine because he couldn't enlist in the Marine Corps.

"I tried to enlist in the Marines in 1917, but was rejected. They needed people with special skills. This motivated me to return to school," he says.

After completing high school, Rasmussen went on to study at Creighton University and Northwestern University Medical School which he graduated in 1928.

Following his internship, he completed his residency at the University of Pittsburgh before being selected as an associate surgeon at Cook County Hospital in Chicago.

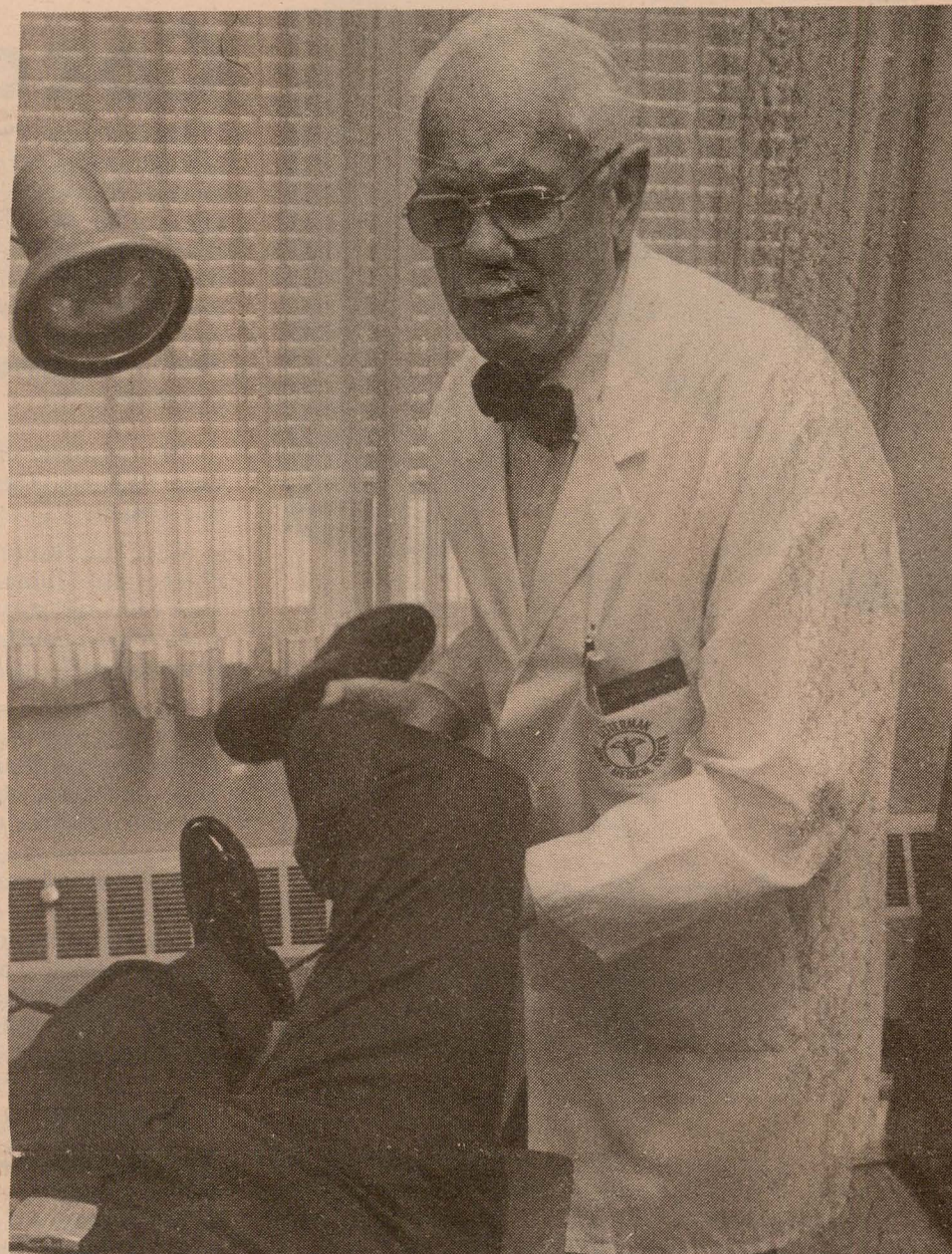
Of the hospital he says, "County was the largest hospital in the country at that time. It was a known fact that any disease known to man could be encountered there. That (experience) was the basis of my future development in medicine."

After his wife died in 1955, Rasmussen decided it was time to retire—the first time. He remarried and lived in Europe for a year before moving to the marina area of San Francisco.

He decided to get back into medicine working first at Fort Mason, there in Oakland, and later Fort Funston before he settled into the LAMC emergency room.

In 1975, he retired only to return later to help out in the AIM clinic.

"With all the specialists and the good rapport I've had with the doctors and hospital technicians, my 'retirement' has been therapeutic."



Rasmussen examines a soldier's leg in the AIM clinic.

photo by Tim Dewar

On felony warrants MPs nab suspect

A man suspected of a felony crime in Oakland is in custody this week after he was arrested here by three members of the Presidio Provost Marshal's office last week.

A 31-year-old civilian from Oakland was arrested July 29 at approximately 1 p.m. after MP's Sp4 Lorenzo Cardenas and PFC Rafael Vasquez were called to MacArthur and Quarry roads to check out a report of a suspicious man sitting in a van.

When they arrived on the scene

the pair and their patrol supervisor, SSgt. Don Alsup, discovered the civilian suspect who claimed to be waiting for his cousin, a Presidio soldier who lives in post quarters in that area.

After running a routine check on the van's license plates, the man was arrested when it was discovered that he was wanted for grand theft auto and outstanding traffic violations.

The suspect was taken to the Provost Marshal's office where he was held before being transferred to the custody of civilian authorities.

Strike has little effect

The nationwide strike by air traffic controllers is having little effect on travel plans of soldiers, but caution is being urged by Department of the Army and post transportation officials.

Local news reports have claimed that despite the walk out by the controllers, air travelers were experiencing minimal delays.

A recent Army news release sug-

gested soldiers check on alternate means of travel by either bus or train should they be unable to get adequate air travel arrangements.

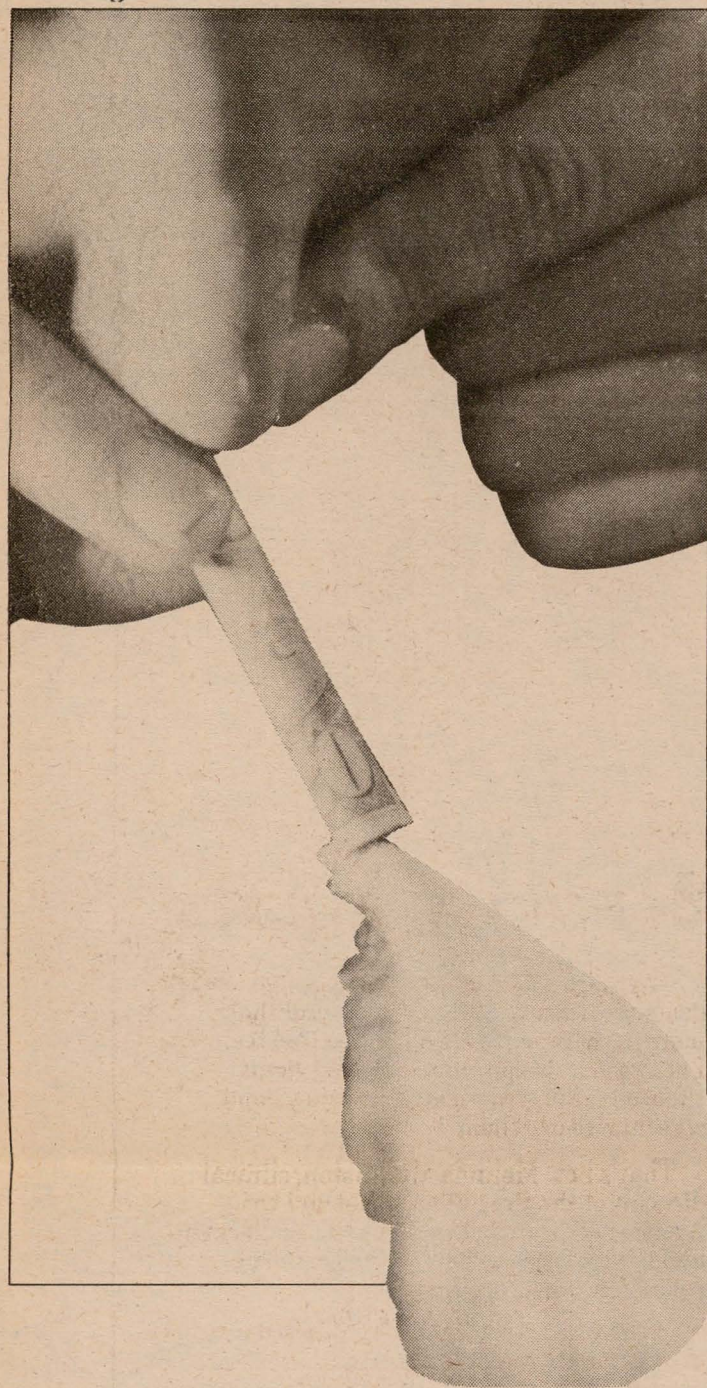
Presidio soldiers are being urged to contact the Transportation Office if they have questions about official travel or the Scheduled Airlines Ticket Office for information on the strike's effect on leave arrangements.



photo by Tim Dewar

Presidio's Picasso

A new light green coat of paint goes on an old military bus as the Presidio becomes the first installation in FORSCOM to have the new Army color scheme on its vehicles. According to Bruce Terpstra, chief of the transportation branch, the new lighter color paint was first applied to a 10-ton tractor trailer recently and is being sprayed on six busses.



Cocaine: 'A cause for concern, not for panic'

Editor's note: The articles on these pages represent the attempt of the Star Presidian staff to find answers to a number of questions regarding cocaine abuse at the Presidio. To find those answers, K. Douglas Cook, Tim Dewar and Jon Chelgren interviewed commanders, soldiers, former drug abusers and officials representing military law enforcement and rehabilitation agencies. The information from those sources was compiled by Jon Chelgren and is presented here.

"It is evident that we have a cocaine problem here. Cocaine is becoming the drug of choice for our soldiers. . ."

With that statement Maj. Robert McKenzie, chief of the Human Resources Development Division, released statistics to the **Star Presidian** last week which confirmed a jump in the number of Presidio soldiers identified as cocaine users.

Those statistics, based upon the number of positive urinalysis test results, confirm what law enforcement officials and drug abuse experts have been predicting since last year—that the use of cocaine is becoming much more prevalent.

McKenzie stresses, however, that increased cocaine use at the Presidio is not cause for alarm. "It is a cause for concern," he says. "It is not a cause for panic. I am not waving the red flag saying, 'Freeze! We have a problem here.' What I am saying is that we have more of a problem than we at first realized."

Awareness key

He says that the release of those statistics was aimed at making commanders and supervisors at all levels aware of a growing cocaine problem on post. He claims that awareness is the key to dealing with cocaine and other forms of drug abuse.

"Once a problem is highlighted," he explains, "and once commanders and supervisors begin to

As word of the rise in cocaine use among Presidio soldiers spreads, many persons are having a difficult time accepting the fact that the drug of the "jet setters" is being used by soldiers.

Although the Criminal Investigation Division (CID) issued warnings a year ago that cocaine use was on the increase, most persons simply believed that it was too expensive for soldiers to use.

As Maj. Robert McKenzie, chief of the Human Resources Development Division, explains, "We knew for some time that cocaine was a big thing in the Bay Area, but we didn't think it was much of a problem here. The myth surrounding cocaine is that it is a rich man's drug and not too many people use it."

But as Capt. Richard Engle, chief of the CID's San Francisco field office explains, moderate use of the drug is within some soldiers' budgets. A small time user, he says, can have a "good weekend" with a \$60 quantity of the drug while heavier users may run through \$200 worth of cocaine for the same weekend.

Engle says that for some soldiers who live in the barracks and have no real bills, their monthly paychecks are more than enough to pay for expensive drug habits.

How soldiers pay for rich man's habit

"We have critical missions to perform and we have a responsibility to keep ourselves combat ready. The use of drugs is not consistent with that."

act upon it, I think we will see people using less drugs."

The primary means of highlighting and identifying the cocaine problem, according to McKenzie is through the urinalysis testing program. Only after a positive urinalysis test is received and a soldier identified as a drug abuser, can commanders and others begin dealing with the soldier's problem.

With the evidence of cocaine abuse at the Presidio, McKenzie predicts that an increase emphasis will be placed on both individual command directed tests and on unit sweeps during which an entire organization is tested at once.

Test a deterrent

In addition to aiding in identifying drug abusers, McKenzie claims that the urinalysis program itself may serve as a deterrent to further abuse.

"If commanders make judicious use of the unit sweep, I think they will reduce the drug problem in their unit," he explains. "If I know that at any given time I may be subjected to a sweep, I am going to be very careful about using cocaine and other drugs."

Of the tests themselves, McKenzie says his office occasionally finds results which indicate that soldiers have tried one of a host of gimmicks to beat the test.

Engle's explanation is echoed by one Presidio soldier who claims that he used to spend three-quarters of his paycheck on drugs each month.

"You have a large group of young people in the Army who are making regular money so that they can afford to buy drugs," says the 22-year-old specialist four.

Moreover, Engle says that soldiers are changing their drug habits to accommodate cocaine use.

"Instead of smoking marijuana five nights a week," he suggests, some soldiers will wait for the weekend to use coke once or twice."

One post official claims that normally thefts of money, stereos and camera equipment increase when high-priced drugs are used. Presidio military police, however, have not yet noticed that increase in larcenies.

The same official says that another economic effect of expensive drug use is to encourage users to become pushers themselves.

"This causes a vicious circle in which drugs become widely available and even forced on people who would not otherwise be interested," he says.

Post officials do not believe, however, that that condition exists on at the Presidio.

He warns, however, "If you have cocaine or other drugs in your system it will show up. I just got a result back that showed the man tried to beat the test by adding water to his urine. It didn't work. The lab still found evidence of cocaine."

Society's problem

As they attempt to further identify and deal with the use of cocaine on post, Presidio officials are pointing to society as the root of drug abuse problems.

"Drug abuse is a problem throughout the Army and society in general. We have drug problems in our civilian society and commanders are trying to do their jobs with a big chunk of that society in their ranks," says Lt. Col. Thomas Cornick, newly assigned commander of the 504th Military Police Battalion.

Another commander, Capt. Michael Giblin of Headquarters Company, U. S. Army Garrison, feels much the same. "Drugs are being used for sure. You have to be realistic about it," he says.

Both Cornick and Giblin, however, are far from accepting drug abuse as a way of life.

"I will not tolerate drugs in a unit," Cornick says flatly. "We have critical missions to perform and we have a responsibility to keep ourselves combat ready. The use of drugs is not consistent with that."

Giblin says that he has emphasized the

The price they pay

Penalties severe for drug abusers

For soldiers abusing cocaine and other drugs, the cost of their supplies is not the only price they may pay.

In legal terms, drug usage may be prosecuted under two articles of the Uniformed Code of Military Justice. Article 92 of the UCMJ covers those drugs classified as "dangerous." These include amphetamines, LSD, and barbituates.

If tried under Article 92 in a general courts martial proceeding, soldiers convicted for use of these drugs face maximum penalties of a dishonorable discharge, reduction to the grade of E-1, forfeiture of all pay and allowances for two years, plus a sentence of two years confinement at hard labor.

Article 134 provides for punishment for the use, sale, possession of what are referred to as habit forming or narcotic drugs. Included in this category are such controlled substances as cocaine, heroin and marijuana.

A conviction for the use, sale or possession of cocaine or heroin can bring a person before a general courts martial, a dishonorable discharge, reduction to E-1 with forfeiture of all pay and allowances, and confinement at hard labor for up

penalties as one means of deterring drug use within USAG. "I have stressed that drug use will not be tolerated and users will get more than a slap on the wrist. I don't think drugs are safe and they certainly aren't legal. I want soldiers to know that their use will cost them something," he says..

Commander's options

When he determines that a soldier is using drugs, Giblin says that he has two options.

"If they are discovered through urinalysis then they are sent to the drug and alcohol program and are dealt with by the people down there," he explains.

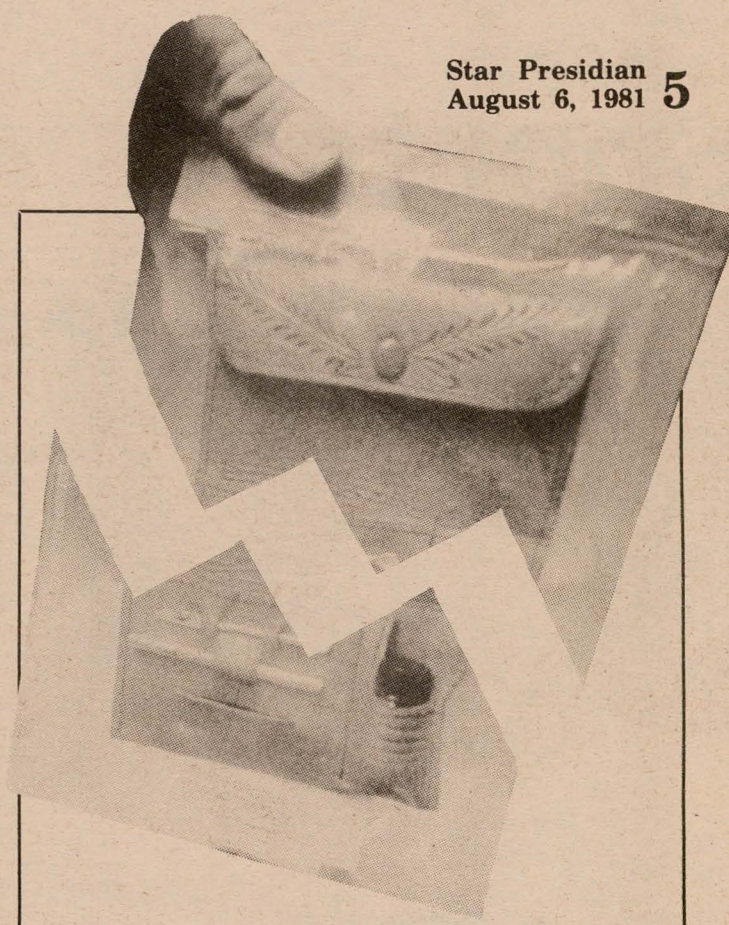
"But if they are found with drugs in their possession," he adds, "they can and probably will be prosecuted under the Uniformed Code of Military Justice."

Cornick states that his approach to drug abusers is one of concern. "My goal is to help these people. They are in for personal trouble of their own making, not in terms of what I will do to them, but in terms of what they are doing to themselves," he says.

In perspective

Putting the problem of cocaine and drug abuse into perspective, Col. F. Whitney Hall Jr., post commander, says, "What we have here is America's problem. The Army is ahead, however, of cities and schools in identifying drug abusers and in helping them to straighten out their lives or get them out of the Army if they don't want our help.

"I am concerned about drug use at the Presidio," he continues, "but let's be sure to recognize that our problem here is less severe than at many military installations or universities. We have a problem to solve, not an epidemic."



Breaking habits

"We normally find that those people using drugs are unsure of themselves and their identity. They suffer from low self-esteem. Let's face it, people who feel good about themselves may try drugs, but they don't continue to use them."

That's how Melinda McQuiston, clinical director of the Presidio Alcohol and Drug Assistance Branch, describes the soldiers she and her staff see as part of the post drug rehabilitation program.

Whether or not a soldier is directed into drug rehabilitation, McQuiston stresses, is solely up to his commander. The commander looks at a number of factors such as duty performance, appearance, personal problems and other indicators of drug abuse before referring the soldier to her office for evaluation, she says.

If the soldier is sent to rehab, he faces 60 days of active rehabilitation where he is seen by a counselor at least once a week.

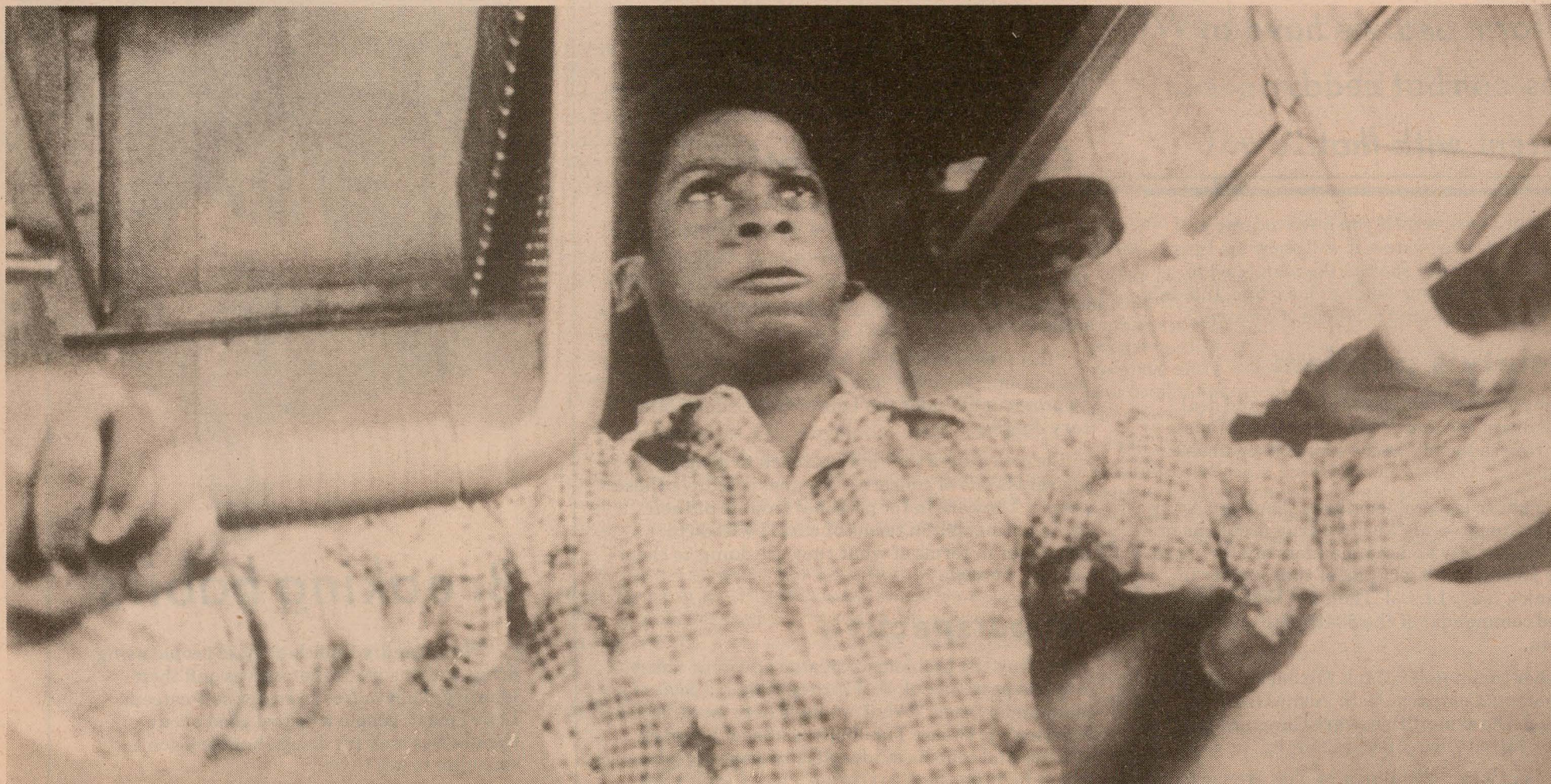
When soldiers are directed into the rehab program, McQuiston says that their attitudes are inevitably negative.

"Let's face it nobody likes to be told what to do. The important part of the rehabilitation process is for the counselor to communicate that he cares. Once a trust level is established, one big step toward rehabilitation has been made," she says.

After that, the process involves helping the soldier to change his lifestyle. "It is difficult to change old habits," McQuiston explains, "To do so we need support and encouragement. That is why we have a 300-day follow-up phase."

Because most of the soldiers in the rehab program suffer from low self-esteem, McQuiston says the program strives at helping them learn to like themselves and develop social skills to deal with others. This is done either through one-on-one counseling or group sessions.

Sports



Reggie King Jr., 12, is a picture of grim determination as he pumps iron.

These kids pull a lot of weight

Story and photos by Jon Chelgren

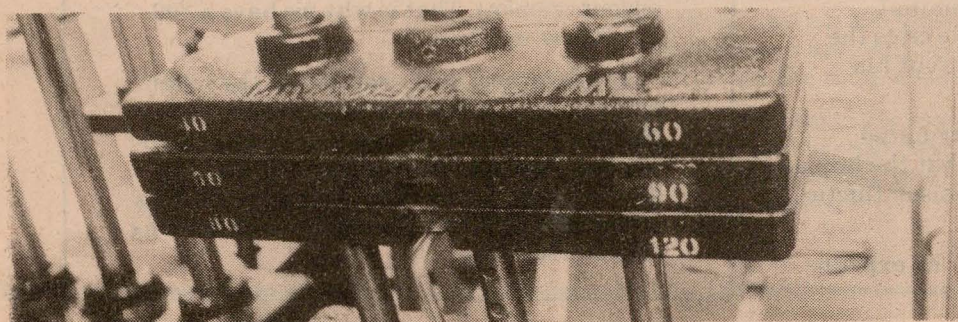
The grunts echo through the air as sweat runs from every pore. The muscles quiver as the weights go up and down in a seemingly endless cycle. One can almost hear the strains of the theme from "Rocky."

That scene could be from a locker room anywhere as would be Arnold Schwarzeneggers mold their bodies to perfection. But it is a scene which occurs twice a week and the participants are all between the ages of 6 and 12 and are enrolled in a Dependent Youth Activity (DYA) weight training class.

According to instructor Rey Mey, the six youths meet for one hour, two days a week to learn how to lift weights and exercise the right way.

"When I was in college," says Mey, "I saw a lot of people hurt simply because some coaches didn't know what they were doing."

Because of that personal conviction, Mey says the youths in his class are learning the proper way to lift weights. All emphasis during the sessions is on correctly lifting small amounts and the number of repetitions rather than on how much a person can lift, he says.



The weights go up and down in an endless cycle.



Karron Browning, 6, gets a helping hand as he does "dips."

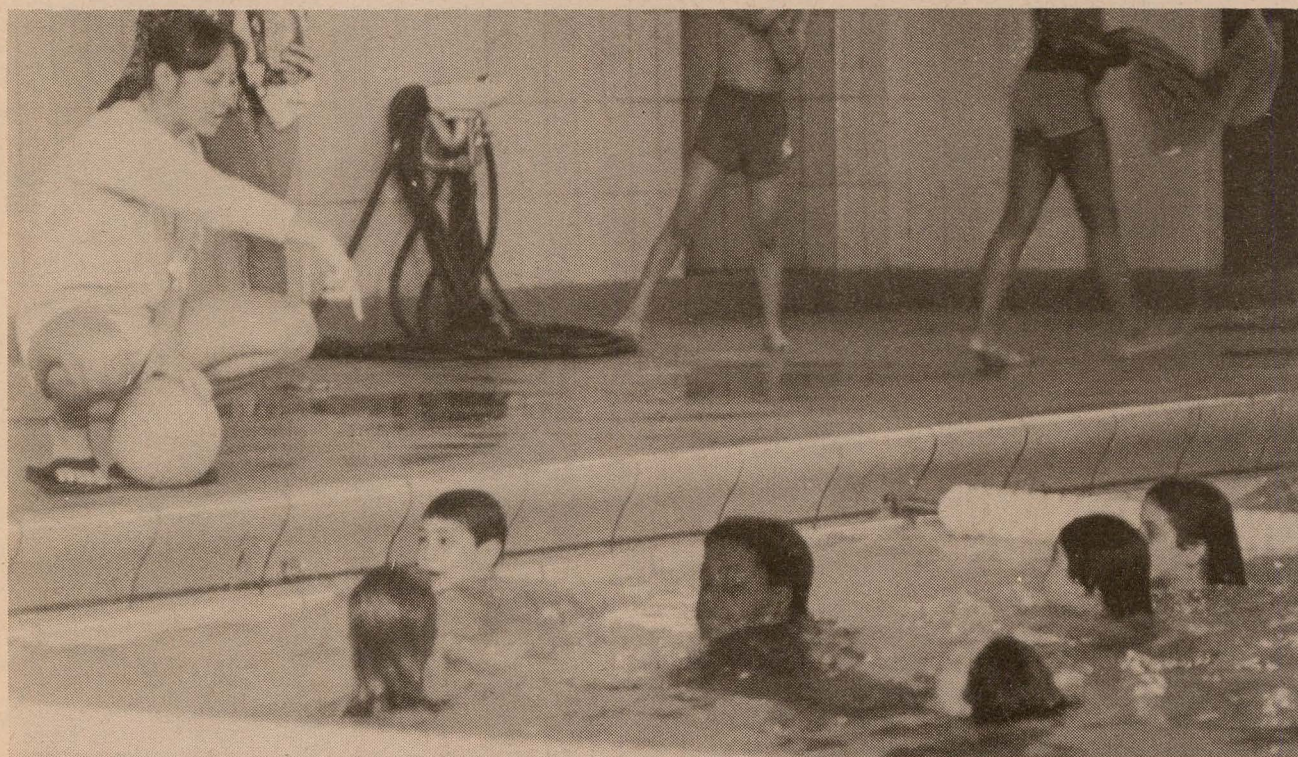


photo by Tim Dewar

Splish, splash

Joanne Murray gives some instructions to Dependent Youth Activity (DYA) swimmers at the post

pool. The session meets in the morning for two weeks. Stop by bldg. 122 for registration.

Engineers still undefeated

After twenty-eight games played in the 1981 Presidio All Comer's Softball Tournament, the high scoring 864th Engineers, coached by Leo Pardo, remain as the only undefeated team, and will advance into the championship game after knocking off the highly spirited Sixth Army with a 2-1 victory.

Leaving their big bats in the barracks as they were outthit 5-3, the 864th Engrs depended on their airtight defense to carry the team to the championship.

The Engineers scored a single run in the first inning on Pardo's double and an error and scored again in the second

inning on Marhown Robinson's lead-off triple who crossed home plate when Sixth Army committed another error.

The 864th defense more than made up for their lack of hitting as they held Sixth Army scoreless until the seventh inning when Scott Carr got his second hit of the game and scored their only run.

Sixth Army moves into the finals of the loser's bracket against B Co, LAMC, a team that Sixth Army knocked off in the early rounds. B Co, LAMC has won four games in a row and eliminated such powerhouses as Oakland, Four Seasons, and last years champions, USAG.

The winner of the match will

have anoather opportunity to take on the 864th to claim the 1981 Presidio all comer's slow pitch championship, however, it will take two wins over the Engineers to take the honor.

Coach Leo Pardo has said that it will take a miracle for his team to lose two games in a row.

Other Tournament Results

Attorneys, 5-51st Engrs, 0
B Co, LAMC, 8-Oakland, 5
Doctors, 9-INSCOM, 4
MSC, LAMC, 7-Coast Guard, 6
B Co, LAMC, 5-Attorneys, 3
Doctors, 10-MSC, LAMC, 2
Sixth Army, 2-USAG, 1
864th Engrs, 5-Four Seasons, 3
USAG, 3-Doctors, 1
B Co, LAMC, 14-Four Seasons, 1
B Co, LAMC, 6-USAG, 4

Sports Shorts

Football kicks off

The Police Athletic League has just kicked off its midget tackle football program, for players 11-14. The sponsors, PAL, who are providing everything at no cost, have subdivided the San Francisco area into four divisions with the Presidio falling under Kimball Park, located between Steiner and Geary. Anyone interested in trying out or desiring further information should contact Bill Garrick at 467-6709.

Kayaking class

The Sports Branch may be offering a class in kayaking if there is sufficient interest. The classes would meet once a week and offer instruction in fundamental skills. If interested contact Rey Mey at the post swimming pool, ext. 3673.

Exercise class set

Dance exercise classes will be offered at post gym no. 1, bldg. 63, starting Aug. 17. Class schedule is as follows:

11:30-12:30 p.m.-Beginner/Intermediate-Monday/Wednesday/Friday

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For 12 one-hour lessons the cost is \$30. Eight one-hour lessons cost \$20.

For additional information call ext. 4120/5032.

Biathalon coming

The next biathlon event has been scheduled for Aug. 12 at the post swimming pool. It will be an "iron person" event in which all entrants will compete in both legs of the event. For further information contact Ray Mey at ext. 3673.

-At the movies-

Presidio Theater

Aug. 6	Any Which Way You Can (PG)	7 p.m.
Aug. 7	Any Which Way You Can (PG)	7 p.m.
Aug. 8	Seventh Voyage of Sinbad (G)	2 p.m.
Aug. 8	Popeye (PG)	7 p.m.
Aug. 9	Bustin' Loose (R)	7 p.m.
Aug. 10	Bustin' Loose (R)	7 p.m.
Aug. 11	1941 (PG)	7 p.m.
Aug. 12	The Fun House (R)	7 p.m.
Aug. 13	Death Hunt (R)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Aug. 6	Tess (PG)	7 p.m.
Aug. 7	The Burning (R)	7 p.m.
Aug. 10	Any Which Way You Can (PG)	7 p.m.
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Aug. 12	Bustin' Loose (R)	7 p.m.
Aug. 13	1941 (PG)	7 p.m.

Preview-Bustin' Loose

Richard Pryor and Cicely Tyson play surrogate parents who escort a busload of orphans from a Philadelphia ghetto to a Washington farm.

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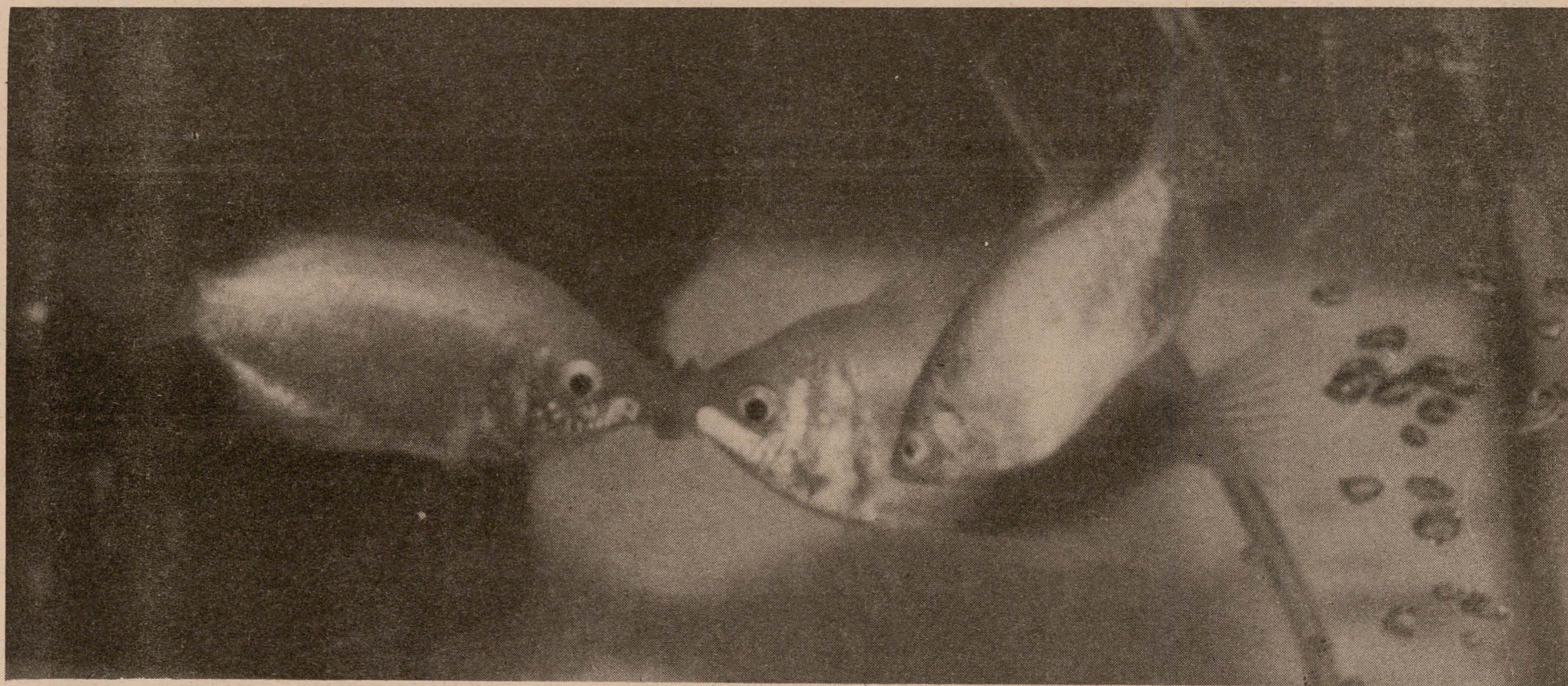


Photo of the Week

Sgt. Mario Quinones took Photo of the Week honors for this shot of two fish "kissing" in his aquarium. His photo now goes on to face other weekly winners

in a quarterly competition. If you have a photograph which you would like to enter, drop it by our newsroom in building 37, room 214.

Travel pay news

In last week's edition of the **Star Presidian**, a story appeared on our front page about an increase and decrease in travel pay.

Based upon new information received from finance officials, effective July 1, soldiers on permanent change of station orders are authorized 13 cents a mile and \$50 a day. This applies to all members of the active Army.

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Dependents at those posts are assigned to Bayside Elementary for kindergarten through fourth grade, Martin Luther King for fifth through eighth grade and Tamalpais High School for ninth through twelfth graders.

Parents of all children are asked to contact the ACS after registration and provide the name of the school and the grade which their children will attend. The ACS can be reached at ext. 5057/5256.

Crafts exhibit

The third annual Woodworking and Upholstery exhibit will be held through Aug. 15 at the Post Crafts Shop. Hours are Tuesday-Fridays 2-10 p.m., Saturdays 9 a.m.-5 p.m. On exhibit will be chairs,

tables, chests, beds, dressers, storage units and toys as well as paintings, weaving, pottery, stained glass and photography. Refreshments will be served and registration for fall classes and workshops will be offered.

Grange ceremony Monday

A welcome ceremony for Lt. Gen. David Grange Jr. will be held Monday at 3 p.m. on the parade field.

Grange is the new commander of Sixth Army.

Photography contest

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Presidio workers honored

Nine Presidians will be honored as post "Employees of the Year" during ceremonies at the Schwartz Theater Tuesday, beginning at 2 p.m.

The employees include **Allen Green** of the Directorate of Facilities Engineering (DFE) in the trades and crafts category; **Carl Peterson**, Sixth Army, technical; **Judy Lew**, Letterman Army Medical Center (LAMC), service to community; **Lt. Col. Larrie Wanberg**, LAMC, professional; **Edward Crane**, DFE,

management; **Barbara Somach**, LAMC, handicapped; **Henry Watson**, LAMC, equal employment opportunity; **Barbara Barnett**, LAMC, clerical; and **Barbara Eckstrom**, Civilian Personnel office, administrative.

The nine were selected from a group of 42 persons nominated from agencies throughout the Presidio. Those nominees were recommended by supervisors and co-workers and were judged on their unique con-

tributions to their job, their impact on their organizations and their overall performance as the "epitome of a federal employee."

All 42 names are now being considered by the Federal Executive Board (FEB) as Bay Area Employees of the Year. The FEB, which considers candidates from federal agencies throughout the local area, will announce its selections later this month.

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photo by Jon Chelgren

Crimestoppers

Sgt. Charles Basham explains the finger printing process to a group of post youths who were cited by the Presidio MPs for their help in solving a pair of unrelated bike thefts. In addition to recovering awards from the post provost marshal, Lt. Col. Thomas Cornick, Steve Rushins, Victor McDonald, Anthony Dunnigan and Richard Mead Jr. were given a tour of the MP station. (See related item on page 2.)

Efficiency, abuse eyed

Steps taken to head off post vehicle woes

More efficient use of Army vehicles and a crackdown on vehicle abuse are two measures being taken here as the Presidio tightens its transportation belt.

According to Col. Victor Fernandez, head of the Directorate for Industrial Operations, "There is no money for new vehicles at present. We have to get the maximum efficiency out of our present fleet and most importantly we are not going to tolerate misuse and abuse of what vehicles we have."

Fernandez says that the problem stems from congressional budget cuts which have made replacement of old or damaged vehicles difficult at best.

He cites a report prepared by US Forces Command (FORSCOM)

officials which noted that FORSCOM was allotted only 83 new vehicles—or 6.5 percent of their requirements—during fiscal year 1980.

Last fiscal year, the 22 FORSCOM posts were able to purchase 134 vehicles or 20 percent of their requirements. But Fernandez points out that those figures do not include any new sedans and that many of those vehicles are destined for the National Training Center at Fort Irwin, Calif.

The situation faced by Presidio transportation officials, and ultimately motor pool customers, Fernandez says is, "If a vehicle is declared unrepairable, either through mechanical failure or accident, there will probably not be a replacement until the upcoming fiscal year."

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MPs head to Chaffee

A contingent of soldiers from 504th Military Police Battalion will soon be taking over law enforcement duties at a Cuban resettlement center as they head back to Fort Chaffee, Ark.

Twenty-three soldiers assigned to the Presidio's MP unit will be headed to Fort Chaffee to lend a hand in the Cuban resettlement operation there. For some, it will be the second such assignment.

Lead by Maj. Charles Taylor, the contingent will be responsible for

running the administrative headquarters for approximately 60 days. Fort Ord has been tasked to provide the MP personnel for patrols and actual law enforcement.

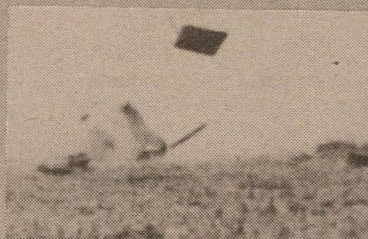
Meanwhile, 35 other members of the 504th currently at Fort McCoy, Wis. are expected to return from their assignment in early September.

Tasks such as the ones to Chaffee and McCoy come on a rotating basis and are shared by MP units throughout US Army Forces Command (FORSCOM).

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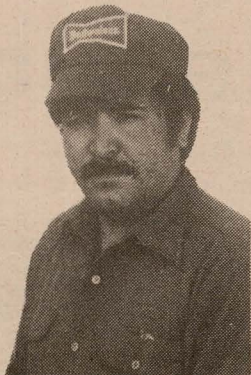
What can be done to
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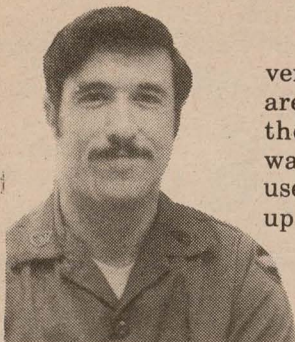
Rhonda Rasmussen, MSAD

"There are not many, but I've seen a few dry areas that could use some flowers or something. Many of the buildings could use a little work, but other than that, the Presidio is a lovely area."

"Even though there's a lot being done right now, things like trimming trees and weeds need constant care. There are many trees throughout the Presidio that are infected with diseases that could easily spread."

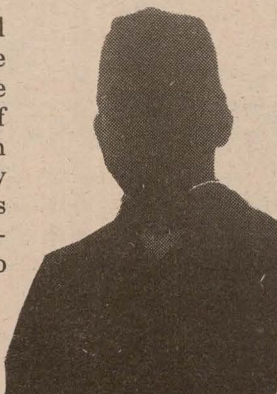


Steven Garcia, DFE



SSgt. Robert White, USAG

"This is a beautiful place already. On the exterior parts of the housing area, a bit of work could be done. In relation to the many other installations throughout the country, the Presidio has to be one of the finest."



Sgt. Raymond Hernandez, 864th Engr.

Commentary

Anybody want me?

by K. Douglas Cook



the "Help Wanted—Military" section:

Ever look through the Sunday paper's classified ad section? Here in the "City By The Presidio," the two major daily publications get together to pool their assorted blurbs for everything from autos to zany-people-looking-for-love!

So, as usual, I flipped to the "M" section and, with coffee in hand, began reading

Sensitive, strong silent type needed to defuse potentially explosive situations. Send resume and latest IQ scores to Explosive Ordnance Detachment, Presidio.

Fun-Loving, carefree individual needed to supervise medium-sized collection of personnel. Must be flexible and have sense of humor. Apply Headquarters Company, USAG.

Strictly Part-Time work available for person wanting less than 10 hours per week challenge. Send latest clippings to post barber shop.

Far-sighted person with desire for accuracy needed. Must be able to speak clearly. Apply c/o Forward Observer, Field Artillery, Ft. Ord.

Sports Minded individual who combines individualism with a flair for dressing. Must be licensed. Apply Doctor, LAMC.

Rugged outdoors type with love for hunting and backpacking required. IQ scores not mandatory. Write Ground Pounder, Fort Ord.

We're looking for that special, warm person who wants love, respect and companionship. Send copy of latest poem c/o First Sergeant, USAC, PSF.

Person willing to start at the very bottom wanted for entry-level supervisor's job. Must enjoy long hours and abusive situations. Write to Lieutenant, Presidio.

Brave, fair-minded individuals sought. Should have excellent penmanship and be accomplished on the whistle. Apply Presidio Military Police.

Aggressive, mechanically-oriented people needed. Must enjoy close companionship, mud and the clanking of metal. Write Tanks, Ft. Ord.

Slightly off-center writer needed. Must desire to be wrong more often than right and have a high tolerance for mental pain. Write Newspaper, PSF.

Well, as usual, I've made out another resume and sent it off. One of those jobs really sounded great, but you know yourself... always end up hiring somebody who knows the boss! Oh well, maybe I should look under the "personals" and see if someone's looking for me.

Presidio Youths

Actions of these four set a fine example

This week there were four very special citations given out by the post military police.

While several of his MPs looked on, Lt. Col. Thomas Cornick, 504th Battalion Commander gave awards to four post youths for their assistance in the arrest of a pair of bike thieves in two unrelated incidents.

The youths—Steve Rushing, Victor McDonald, Anthony Dunnigan and Richard Mead Jr., were instrumental in the investigations and identification of the suspects. Their help enabled the MPs to make arrests and recover the two stolen bikes.

But more than just helping the MPs, the youths' actions demonstrated a real concern for their community, an understanding of the word "involvement" as well as setting a fine example for others.

It is ironic that the four were cited in a time when we hear all too much about how little people care nowadays. Their actions come as refreshing news and they deserve not only citations but a big pat on the back from the Presidio community as a whole.

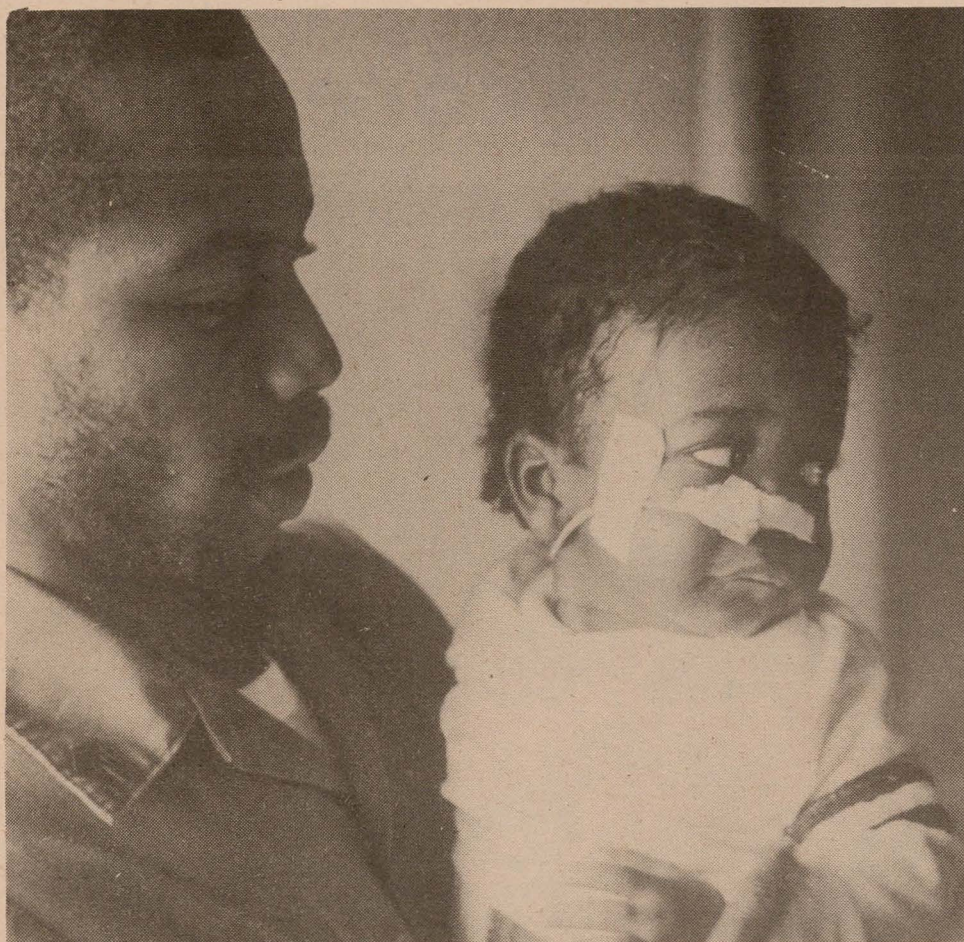
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Murphy holds his son Lionniel.

photo by Tim Dewar

Child waiting for a second chance

by Tim Dewar

The one-year-old son of a post soldier has spent almost half of his young life in hospitals and now faces yet another attempt to save his life.

Lionniel Murphy, the son of Sgt. James Murphy an MOS tester for Directorate of Plans, Training and Security, was born without a gland that is present in most vertebrates, but tends to disappear or become useless in adults. The "thymus" produces bacteria fighting antibodies.

Without the gland, Lionniel is susceptible to even the slightest infections, his father says. "He has had pneumonia four times since he was born," he explains.

The upcoming transplant, his second, will be by injection, and although takes very little time, Mur-

phy estimates cost for the entire procedure at almost \$2,000.

Murphy was stationed in Korea until January when he was called back to be with his son, he explains. "If his body accepts the thymus this time, the doctors predict he will be okay, unless it evaporates too soon. Then he will need another one."

Lionniel was set to go home Friday to wait for the new transplant, but his condition worsened and the doctors decided to keep him at San Francisco State University's child care unit.

"He began to lose all of his fluids," Murphy explains, "and he was running a slight fever, so they decided to keep him."

Until another thymus becomes available, Lionniel and his father are forced to sit and wait.

Working at Letterman

Meds fly here from Colorado

The 147th Medical Hospital from Aurora, Colo., is making the total force concept a reality at Letterman Army Medical Center (LAMC) as the Colorado National Guard unit completes its annual training.

More than 100 members of the unit arrived for the training which will last through next Friday. During their normal monthly training, the 147th spends time at Fitzsimons Army Hospital working with active duty personnel.

When the annual training period arrives, however, the 147th does some traveling. This is the unit's second trip to Letterman Army Medical Center (LAMC). It has also seen duty at Forts Lewis and Bliss.

According to SSgt. Bob Coleman, a

full-time technician with the unit, the training is part of the job. "We are structured a lot like Letterman with most of the same positions. Plus, in a time of mobilization, our mission would be to assume responsibilities for a portion of an active duty medical facility," he says.

Coleman also points out that, as part of the total force concept, the 147th's medical personnel are trained to smoothly integrate into a hospital's operations.

"Only about 30 percent of the 147th's people work in health care on a full time basis," says Coleman. "The rest earn their civilian livings in everything from teaching to business management and construction."

Hotline established

The Department of Defense has established a hotline to help combat waste, fraud and abuse in DoD programs.

According to a recent memorandum, Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger announced the hotline as well as the establishment of a new position, the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Review and Oversight, who will serve as Weinberger's watchdog on DoD programs.

The memorandum cited President Ronald Reagan's commitment to reducing fraud and inefficiency in federal programs as the reason for the moves.

The hotline numbers are (800) 424-9098 or (autovon) 223-5080. The numbers are manned from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays. All callers, the memorandum stresses, will be protected.



photo by H. Kinoshita

At the helm

San Francisco Mayor Diane Feinstein welcomes Lt. Gen. David Grange after Grange assumed command of Sixth Army on Monday. Grange succeeded Lt. Gen. Charles Hall in the post.

'No shows' now get zero score

by Jon Chelgren

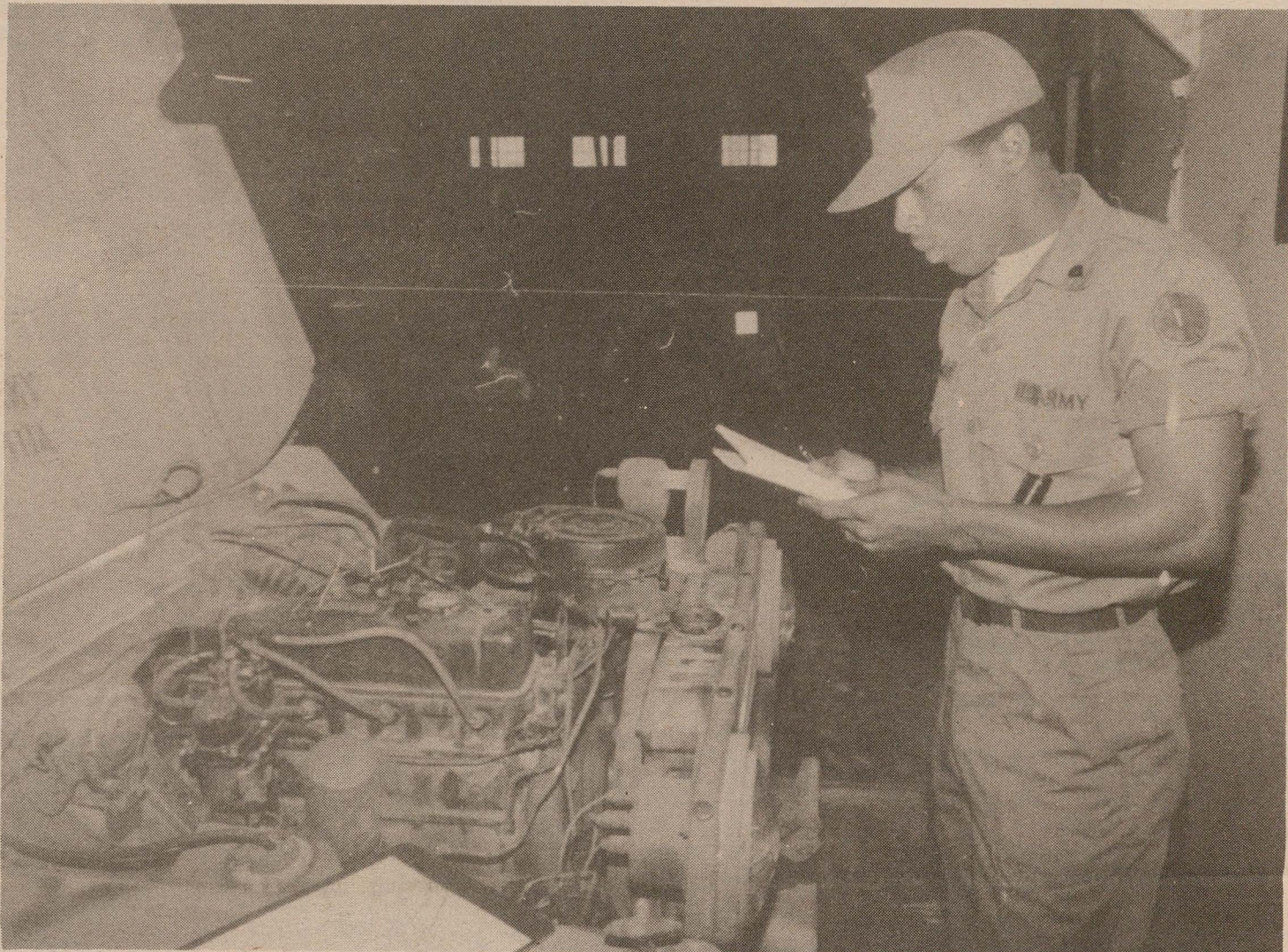
The rules governing soldiers who fail to appear for Skill Qualification Tests (SQT) have been tightened as one of a number of recent changes in the SQT regulations.

According to Elizabeth Pietri, post deputy test control officer, soldiers who fail to take their SQT tests will be reported as "no shows," to their unit commanders. The commanders may then label the soldiers as "excused no shows" if they had legitimate, official reasons for missing their tests. If that is the case, says Pietri, the soldiers will have their tests rescheduled.

If a soldier has no excuse for missing his test, however, he will receive a zero score for his SQT, Pietri says.

The change was part of a general tightening of SQT rules which reduced the grounds under which a soldier could be excused from his test while placing greater emphasis on commanders and supervisors to prepare their soldiers.

Pietri suggests that anyone with questions regarding the changes contact their unit training office.



Had this soldier not shown up for his SQT, he could have received a zero score.

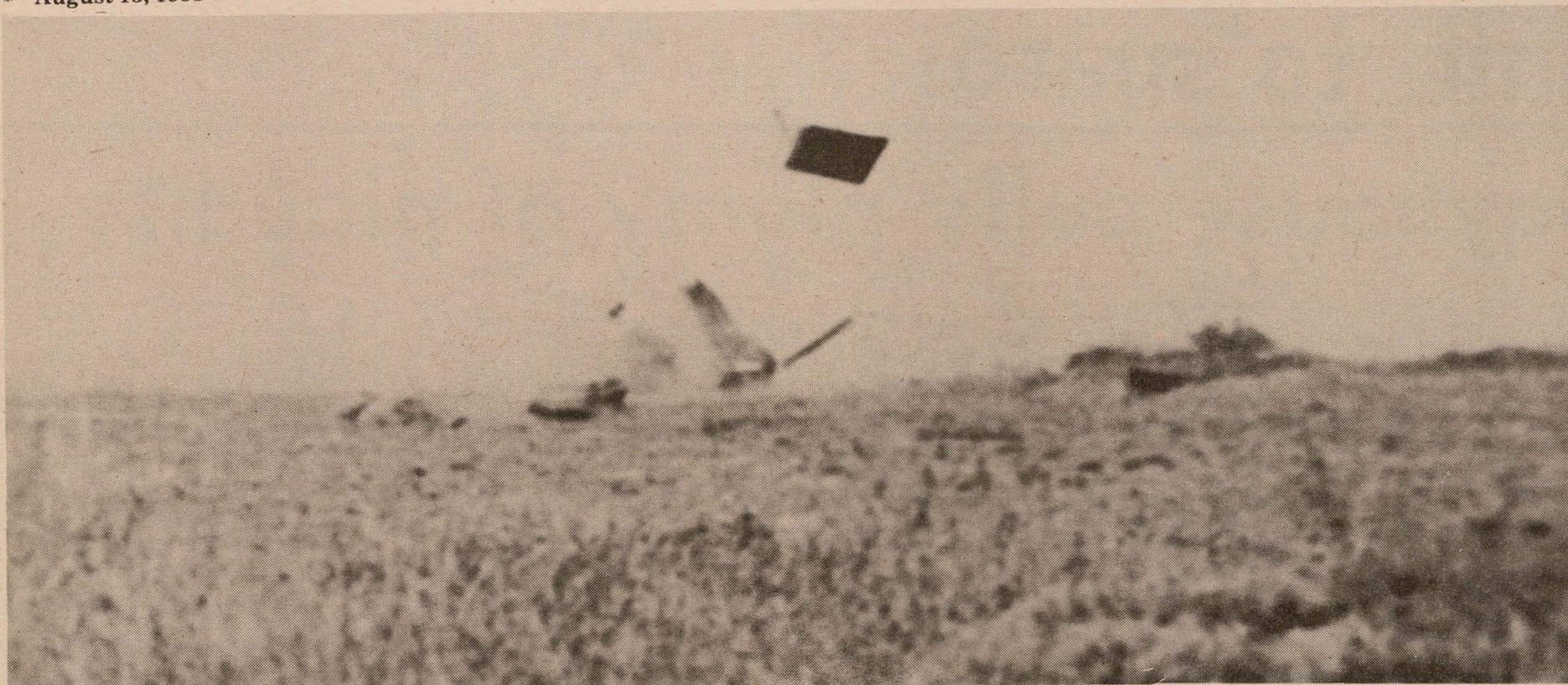
photo by Tim Dewar

Soldier-teacher lends a hand to reservists

Sp5 Michelle Lermond, chapel activities specialist at the main post chapel, gives instruction to an Army Reserve student enrolled in the Chaplain's Assistant Course at Parks Reserve Forces Training Area. Lermond is one of many active duty soldiers who have been lending a hand to reserve schools such as the 6228th USAR School at Parks.



US Army photo



Even viewed from a safe distance, there's no mistaking the power of even a small explosive charge.

Some soldiers have real blast

Story and photos by Tim Dewar

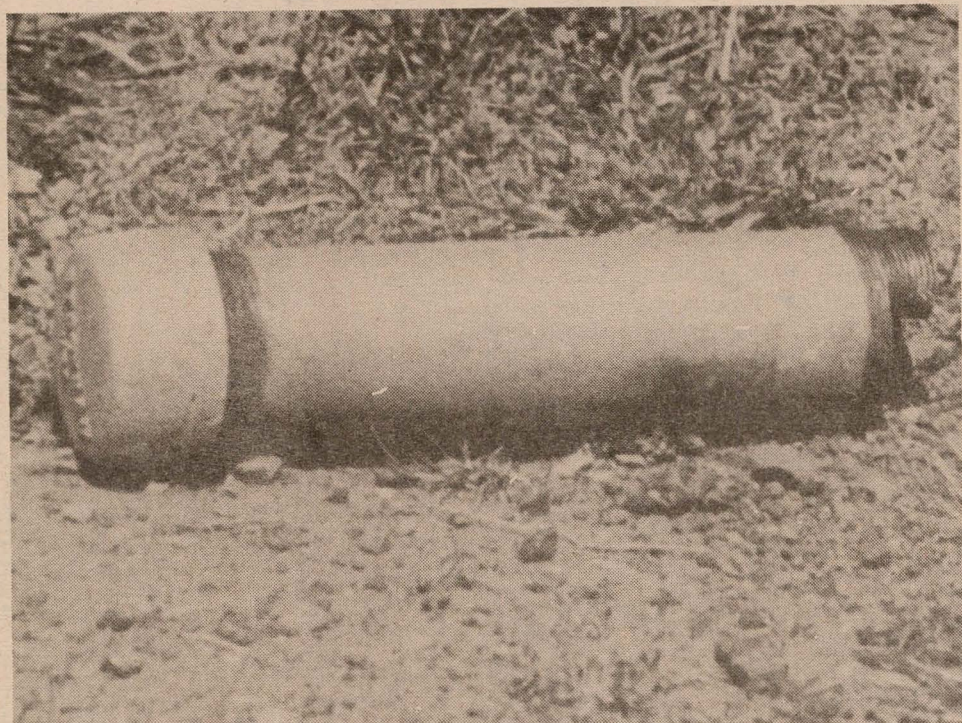
Although some people may love to hear the seconds tick away during working hours, for soldiers of the 548th Explosive Ordnance Detachment (EOD), the ticking could mean an end to more than just their duty hours.

The ticking is only a small part of the unit's job. Besides responding to and investigating reports of possible

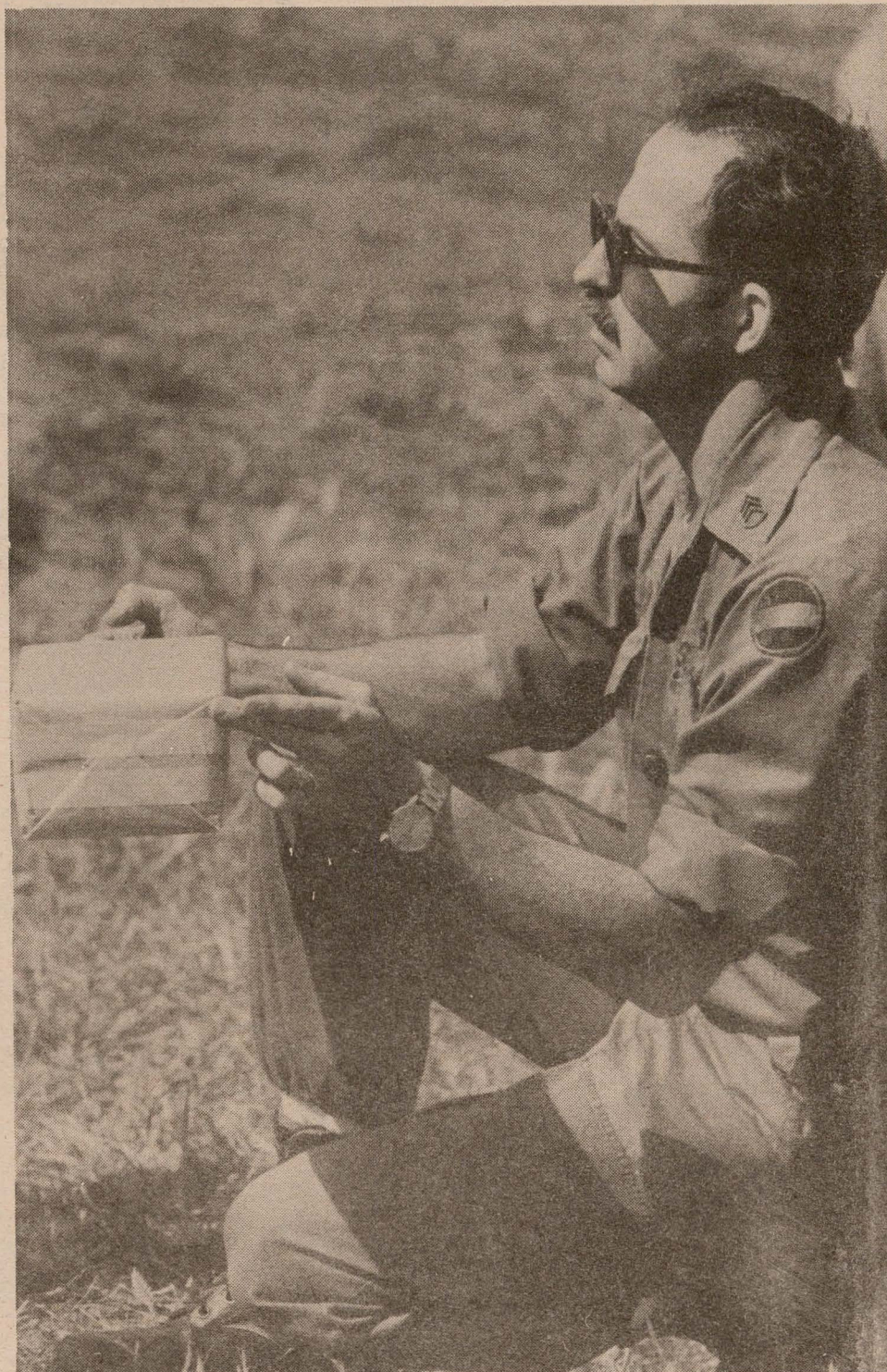
bombs, the unit is also tasked with providing VIP protection throughout the western states.

During the National Elections, members of the 548th travelled throughout the country providing protection support for many of the candidates and their families.

The 548th is also called to respond to incidents like the Harvey's casino bombing last year.



Ordinary pipe can be turned into a lethal weapon.



SSgt. Charles Drew gingerly holds a mock mail bomb.

Time to spare

Playhouse pulls plenty of plaudits



photo by Andrej and Janet Novak

The play "Gypsy," stole the show during the 1981 FORSCOM Festival of the Performing Arts.

The Presidio Playhouse performance of "Gypsy" swept 12 awards in the 1981 US Army Forces Command Festival of the Performing Arts.

The musical play, directed by Donald Hess, gave the post nearly every major award in this year's competition.

"Gypsy" was judged the Best Musical Play and Hess was selected as the Best Director. Other top winners included Best Leading Actress in a musical play: Ann Hemrig-hausen who played Mama Rose; Best Leading Actor: Don Baier as Herbie, and Best Supporting Actress: Mary Jo McConnell as Gypsy Rose Lee.

A special Child Actress Award was presented to Kristen Lee for her role as young Gypsy and the top awards for Specialty Group in a Musical Play went to Lisa Lannan, Shelrah Parvin, and Jacqueline O'Keefe for their performance of "You Gotta Have a Gimmick".

Awards of excellence went to Musical Director Steve Jones and Set Designer Gilbert Johnson. Honorable mention was given to supporting actress, Holly Evers and lighting designer, Steve Mancini.

The Presidio was also selected for one of three awards to be presented for Best Overall Theater Performance.

This popular Broadway musical is suggested by the memoirs of Gypsy Rose Lee, the late world famous striptease artist, with music by Jule Styne, lyrics by Stephen Sondheim, and book by Arthur Laurents.

In last year's festival, Homrig-hausen won the "Best Actress In A Musical" award in the title role in "Mame" at the Presidio. At that time, McConnell was stationed at Fort Hood, where she won an "Award of Excellence" for her role in "Man of La Mancha."

Many tours ahead

Several tours are being sponsored by the Recreation Center in the near future, such as:

Santa Cruz Beachwalk on Saturday, August 22, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. for \$5 per person. Transportation will be deluxe commercial motorcoach.

"Russian River Western Tour" is planned for August 29, 10:30 p.m. to midnight for \$10 per person. This tour will consist of a Champagne tasting tour, swimming at the pool of the Rio Nido Lodge, a real cowboy supper consisting of big helpings of barbecued beef, ribs, or chicken; beans, spuds, sourdough rolls with butter and honey, spicecake, coffee or lemonade.

To finish off the evening there will be live entertainment by "Riders of the Circle T", a country-western band, Don't wait to sign-up for this one, spaces are limited.

Canoe Trip on the Russian River, Saturday, September 12, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. (approx) for \$25 per person. By popular demand, the Recreation Center is pleased to announce our second canoe trip of the season. Spaces for this trip are filled strictly on a first-come basis.

Tickets available for sale:

Great America—\$8.50—regularly \$11.95

Marineworld Africa USA—\$6.75 and \$4.75—regularly \$8.95 and \$5.95

Lion Country Safari tickets (In Irvine, CA)—\$4.25 and \$2.75—regularly \$5.95 and \$3.75

Discount coupons for local events and events in Southern California. Stop by and take look at what they have.

Oakland Raiders tickets for all home games at \$17 and \$11.

At the movies

Presidio Theater

Aug. 13	Death Hunt (R)	7 p.m.
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Aug. 15	Golden Voyage of Sinbad (G)	2 p.m.
Aug. 15	In God We Trust (PG)	7 p.m.
Aug. 16	Take This Job and Shove It (PG)	7 p.m.
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Aug. 18	Modern Romance (R)	7 p.m.
Aug. 19	Coast to Coast (PG)	7 p.m.
Aug. 20	Happy Birthday to Me (R)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

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Presidio Preview

"Death Hunt" is an outdoor thriller set in the arctic wilderness about manhunt for loner Charles Bronson who has been framed for murder.

Sports

Sports Shorts

Exercise class offered

Dance exercise classes are being held at post gym No. 2 and are open to beginners and intermediates. The classes meet Tuesdays and Thursdays 4:30-5:30 p.m. with other sessions on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Although current three-week sessions have already started, persons may still join the classes at anytime. The first class session is free. Cost for the rest of the program is \$15 for six classes and \$22.50 for nine classes.

Boxers wanted

The Presidio boxing team is in need of open and novice boxers to start training as soon as possible in preparation for the 1981 FORSCOM Boxing Championships, to be held at Fort Campbell, Ky. in early February. If selected to the team, boxers will be facing university teams from Santa Clar, California, Berkeley, Reno, Nevada, the Armed Forces Team and many community teams. Contact Jim Ragasa, at ext. 4120/5032 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Registration set

The 1981 DYA basketball program will be getting underway. Sign-ups for the 1981 DYA Basketball program will be held Aug. 29 at the Fort Scott Gym from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. In addition to accompanying their children, parents are requested to bring copies of birth certificates, and a \$5.00 registration fee per child. The divisions are as follows:
Minor League—8-12 years old
Major League—13-16 years old
Junior League—17-18 years old

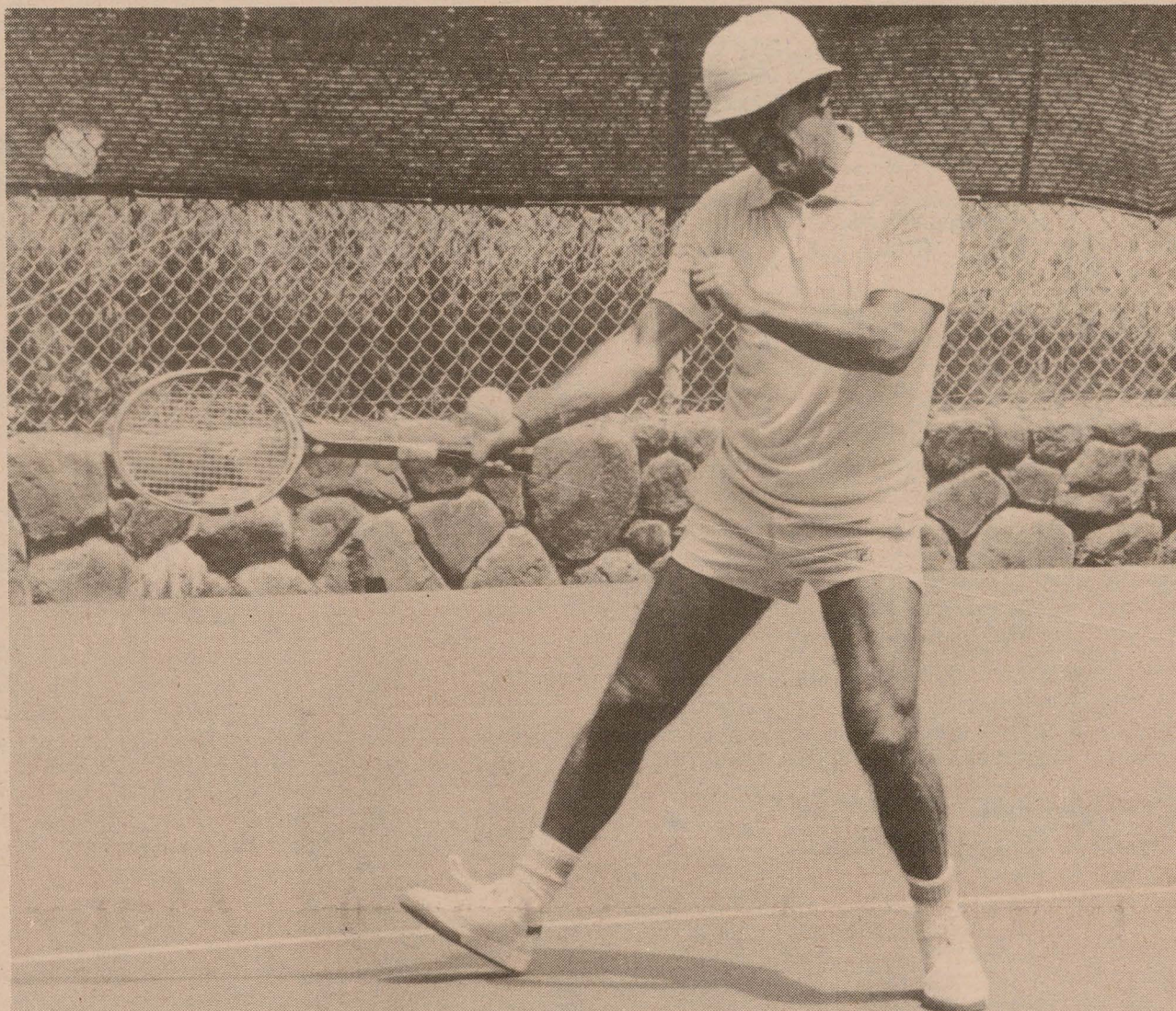
Those interested in coaching or officiating are requested to contact Karl Gaffney at exts. 5328/2070.

Sign ups scheduled

The 1981 DYA soccer program will be sponsoring teams to participate in the upcoming pre-season Viking practice league which starts Sept. 12. Teams are broken down by age as follows:
Under 14 years of age
Under 12 years of age
Under 10 years of age
Under 8 years of age

Sign-ups will be conducted at the Fort Scott gym from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., on Aug. 29. In addition to accompanying their children, parents are requested to bring copies of birth certificates, a small color picture and a \$7 registration fee, of which \$5 will go towards the NCYSA identification card.

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Defending seniors champ Stojic hones his stroke.

Star Presidian file photo

Tourney swings into action

The 1981 Post tennis tournament got underway last week with new faces and few veterans among the entries.

In the Open Division, defending champion Nick Lapins, one of only a handful of players returning from last year, disposed of Craig Lee, 6-0, 6-0, in first round action. The man expected to give Lapins his big-

gest challenge, James Easterbrook, also blanked his opponent, Clay Porn, 6-0, 6-0, while Ulrich Schmidt beat Chris Anderson, 7-5, 6-4, in other first round action.

In the Junior Vets Division, Gene Galvin beat Dale Murray, 6-2, 6-0, and Richard Odom defeated John Davis, 6-3, 6-0. A newcomer, Bill Zabicki,

trounced Tony Somera, 6-0, 6-0, and then went on to best Robert Ketchum, 6-2, 6-0.

Senior Division action saw Charles Hansen blast R.R. Hall 6-0, 6-0 and then upset last year's third place finisher, William Heydorn, 6-1, 6-0. Defending champion, Boris Stojic will face Joel Redmon who beat Robert Allen, 6-1, 6-4.

Engineers take tourney title

The 864th Engineers bounced back from an earlier loss and defeated B Company, LAMC 4-2 to take first place in the 1981 All-Comers Slow Pitch Softball Tournament.

The Engineers had lost the first finals game of the double elimination tourney to LAMC in an eleven-inning slugfest, 13-12. Because it was a double elimination tournament, LAMC had advanced to finals by winning six consecutive games.

In the final game, LAMC jumped to an early lead scoring two runs on four straight hits in the fourth inning. Larry Williams blasted in two RBI's for the scores.

In the fifth inning the Engineers evened the score after Mashawn Robinson started his scoring drive with a triple. He crossed the plate after teammate Charles Murray hit to the shortstop who lost the ball in the fog. A long fly ball allowed Murray to advance and

he later scored on an error to tie the game 2-2.

The score remained tied through the sixth and seventh innings and the game was forced into extra innings.

The big bats of the Engineers came alive in the eighth as they banged out four hits for two runs including a solo homer by Lawrence Stewart for a 4-2 lead.

LAMC was unable to score in their half of the inning which iced the Engineers' win.

News Notes

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Toastmasters meeting

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Photo of the Week

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Winning workers

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Transportation Continued from page 1

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He says motor pool customers who do not log a great number of miles may well be given higher mileage vehicles while heavier users will be given lower mileage ones.

Transportation officials are also strictly enforcing provisions of Army Regulation 58-1 which governs vehicle use. Among those provisions are:

- Stops at the post exchange, commissaries, banks and stores on personal business are prohibited.

- Travel to or from government or private quarters for other than official business is also prohibited.

- The parking of Army vehicles at

a quarters or home can only be authorized by the Secretary of the Army.

- Trips of over 75 miles to 150 miles must be authorized by the motor pool, while travel beyond 150 requires approval by the Director of Industrial Operations.

The crackdown on vehicle abuse has already meant the loss of vehicles to four agencies on post who allowed their personnel to make unauthorized trips.

Citing one such case, Fernandez says one unit lost its vehicle after two persons took it for a weekend swimming trip while at Camp Hunter-Liggett near Fort Ord. Post officials found out about the trip when the pair had an accident on the way back to the Presidio.

"We pulled the vehicle from the unit and appropriate punishment was administered to the individuals involved," Fernandez says.

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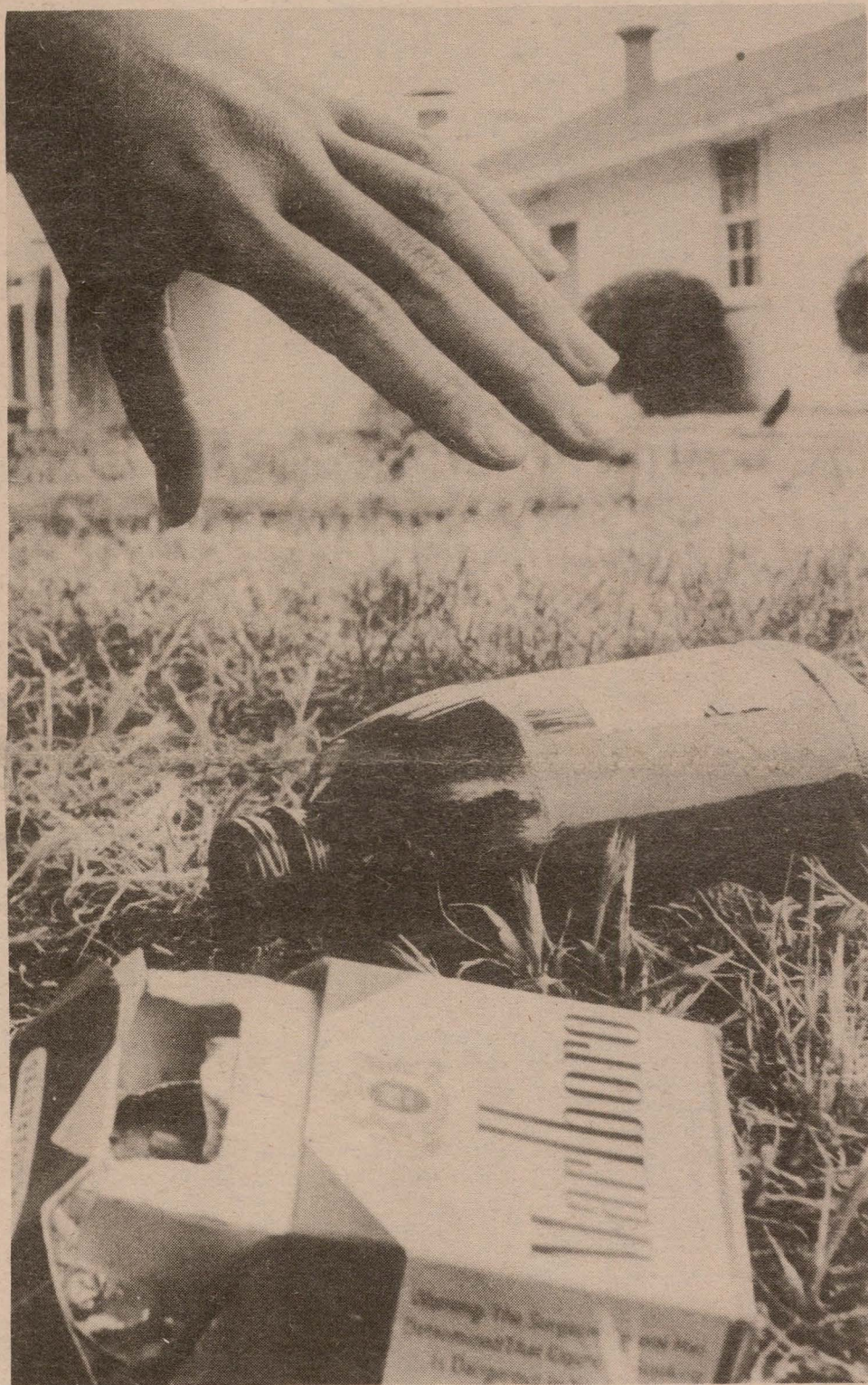


photo by Tim Dewar

Sneak preview

Post officials have announced Sept. 11-12 as the dates for this year's fall cleanup. A number of changes are being planned to assist residents in beautifying and cleaning their areas. (See story on page 3.)

On Barry Court

Find forces evacuation of quarters

Explosive ordnance disposal experts (EOD) were called to housing on Baker Court Tuesday night after a resident discovered a device believed to be a pipe bomb under his quarters.

According to 1st Lt. Rodney Victorine, Provost Marshal's Office operations officer, a resident of 1712 Baker Court found the device under his quarters while he was checking a leaking water pipe around 8 p.m. Tuesday.

After he found the device, the man carried it into his quarters and called the military police.

When they arrived on the scene, the MP's immediately evacuated the four-family dwelling and summoned additional help from the 87th EOD and the Presidio Fire Department.

After analyzing the situation, SSgt. Gregory Parsons, who headed the two man team from the 87th on scene, had the MP's further evacuate

a path through the housing area down to Baker Beach.

With firefighters and emergency personnel standing by, Parsons twice attempted to safely detonate the device at the beach before he successfully dismantled it.

The contents of the device have been turned over to the Criminal Investigation Division for laboratory analysis and further investigation.

Parsons describes the device as an 8-12 inch long pipe, one inch in diameter.

Although Parsons says that the charge would not have been enough to cause serious damage to the quarters, it could have resulted in serious injuries to anyone nearby if it had exploded, he says.

He stresses that anyone finding a suspicious device should not attempt to pick it up, but leave it in place and call the military police.

One arrested in break-in

The FBI is continuing its investigation into an early morning burglary at the Presidio Army Museum Aug. 9 while one man faces charges and an accomplice remains at large.

According to Sgt. Gary Edgette of the Presidio Provost Marshal's Office, military police units raced to the museum at approximately 5:30 a.m. Aug. 9 after a silent alarm was tripped.

They arrested a 35-year-old man trying to flee the building. His accomplice, who is still being sought, escaped in a waiting car when the MP's arrived.

An inventory by museum workers showed nearly \$3500 worth of display items missing. More than \$1000 worth of artifacts were recovered on the suspect in custody when he was arrested.

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What would make your job easier?



Pvt Tim Grymyer, COMPACT

"One thing that would make my job easier is to cut down on the number of details everyone has to pull. Since I am a reservist I don't have to pull the extra duties, but when someone is called out it leaves a bigger load on everyone else in the office."

"Units at the Presidio should hold a class on how to fill out travel vouchers for members PCSing or going TDY. If we had this, it would eliminate the large amount of vouchers we would have to return every day."

Terri Gouldner,



Inez P. Hobbs, DPTSEC

"The introduction of a small office computer would help tremendously. We have a budget of \$560,000 for 10 bomb disposal units, and it would help to keep track of our money, personnel and other administrative duties."

Capt. John Zodrow, 548th EOD



Commentary

Sorry, wrong number!

by K. Douglas Cook



We received a computer letter from the US post office a few days ago. In it was our new "Zip + 4" code which, according to the letter, was (1) totally voluntary and (2) a very good idea.

So now the Public Affairs Office is "5014." That's it! If you want to send us a letter, just put "5014" on the back of 94129 and the pushers of postal stuff promise we'll get it.

Now one line of the letter caught my eye. It said that we no longer had to place our name on the envelope, just our number. Wondering what was next, I contacted a friend in the postal corps and did some research. Brother, are you and I in for a thrilling tomorrow!

In a few years, the nine numbers will be expanded to 13 and that will get a letter not only to an office or home, but right to a person. Confused? Okay, let's say you want to send me a letter at my office. In the future, all you'll have to do is write "94129-5014-8617" on the envelope. The last four numbers are, ready for this, the last four of my social security number. Ah hah, I knew they'd find a use for it sooner or later!

Action Line

Dear Editor,

I would like to bring a problem to your attention and find out why it is happening.

Patients are parking in the area which is supposed to be reserved for employees of Letterman Army Medical Center. This area is behind the hospital laundry area and near the barracks, a dirt parking area.

We, as employees, are prohibited from parking in the lots reserved for patients and the post MP's are enforcing this policy with warnings and tickets. However, when a patient parks in the employee area, nothing is done!

Also, we have also seen people who do not even work on the Presidio parking in these lots, walking through the hospital and getting on the commuter buses to go off the post to work! Nothing is being done about this, either.

I have received oral warnings from the post MP's. I've tried to explain all of this to them, but they say there's nothing they can do about it. Can

Can you see what it's going to be like in the near future? Envelopes with nothing except 2 sets of numbers. Wonder what junk mail will look like? Instead of "occupant" or "person residing at," it will be 94129-3301-????!

Names and addresses will be unnecessary. I'll get letters with "Dear 8617: We've been looking over your book about 3245 and our editor, 1162, feels it needs work. Sincerely, 9957."

Single guys and gals can just meet and use such cute new lines as, "Hi there good lookin'... what's your zip code?" Christmas will be especially meaningful when your mom and dad, 3368 and 1289, send a card and gift!

Oh well, having always been one to look on the bright side (yeah, I know... rrrright), this will solve the problem of what to name the munchkins. Each hospital will have a computer tied into the Postal Service. The child is born and a technician will request assignment of a code.

Congratulations Mr. and Mrs. Jones, you have a boy... buzzz, whirr, boing... named 3349!

Oh, I guess the Army will save some money, too. The name tags can be much shorter in a few years. "Private 8819, run this over to 5014 and speak with Captain 7762. Tell her that Colonel 9943 wants an answer ASAP! And for heavens sake—don't mix up the numbers again!"

your paper help us solve this problem?

Name withheld

To get an answer for you, we went to the Presidio Provost Marshal's Office. MSgt. William Thomas provided the following reply:

"The parking areas around LAMC provide more than adequate parking for employees and patients alike.

I will recommend two parking lots in particular that always have plenty of parking spaces. These would be LAMC West which is located about a quarter mile from the hospital and is adjacent to Presidio and Lincoln Blvds., and the very large paved parking lot adjacent to Gorgas Ave and bldg. 1065, this lot is approximately a third to a half mile from the hospital.

I'm sure the problem of civilian personnel parking on Presidio and then catching the bus downtown exists. However, this type of activity is very hard to detect and if you should observe an act of this nature, it will be appreciated if you notify the MP Desk Sergeant.

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Presidio declares war on trash, litter

Post officials have announced that Sept. 11 and 12 will be the days for the annual fall cleanup at the Presidio.

According to Ed Crane of the Directorate of Facilities Engineers (DFE), Sept. 11, a Friday, will be used to clean areas around work sites while attention the following day will be devoted to beautifying and cleaning quarters areas.

Crane says that DFE is currently trying to get a number of items such as topsoil, extra grass seed and plants to have available for quarters residents

during the Saturday cleanup.

He is also planning to have containers placed in the various housing areas to allow residents to discard large items such as used furniture.

Crane says he and other post officials are increasing emphasis on the cleanup effort.

Of the effort, Crane says, "What we need is a continuous effort to keep the post clean throughout the year. It does us no good to clean up the post one day and go back to littering again the next day."

Noting that numerous people on post blame a passerby for the litter, Crane says, "We can't continue to blame the litter problem on tourists alone. If I see somebody littering, I'll call it to their attention."

Citing concern by all post personnel as the key to clean the post, Crane suggests that anyone who has a suggestion should call his office at ext. 4005.

"We want to hear from anyone who has an idea on the subject," he says. "For instance, if they think we need more litter cans in an area, we would be happy to put them there."

New phone system

Computer to cut costs, speed calls

A \$43,000 computer telephone system will mean a number of changes for official callers here when the system goes into operation next month.

The system, called Least Cost Routing (LCR), is being tested and installed this week and culminates more than a year's planning by Presidio and Army communications officials, according to Jim Payton, commercial leasing officer for the Directorate of Communications and Electronics (DCE). The system goes into operation Sept. 24.

According to Payton, the greatest effect of the LCR system on official phone callers will be that they must dial an additional five digit code when they place calls over the Wide Area Telephone Service (WATS) lines.

But he stresses that the additional dialing will actually save a great deal of time for callers. He explains that rather than waiting for a WATS operator to place a call for them, callers will now be able to have the computer do the job in a matter of seconds.

As Payton explains, a caller using the LCR will dial 87, then his personal identification code and then the area code and number being called.

The computer then analyzes the call and determines which is the

cheapest way to route it, either over WATS lines or over regular commercial phone lines.

Additionally, if the WATS lines are busy but the callers identification code indicates he has priority, the call will be placed over commercial lines regardless of the cost, he says.

Since June 1, the post has been paying per call rather than a flat rate for WATS service. Since many calls can be placed much cheaper over commercial lines, the system is expected to result in "significant savings," according to Payton.

Before the system makes its debut, more than 4000 phone users on post will be required to attend classes explaining the LCR's operation. At those classes each person will be issued their own identification number.

Aside from saving time and money, the LCR system will provide DCE officials with daily and monthly reports which will enable them to not only more closely analyze phone traffic, but also tighten controls on telephone abuse, says Payton.

Maj. Philip Patterson, DCE chief, says that the LCR system is one of a number of pieces of "state of the art" equipment which he hopes to get to replace aging and outdated equipment at the Presidio.

Paper deadline Monday

A number of persons have been calling the staff of the Star Presidian to inquire about deadlines for getting articles and photographs into the paper.

All stories and photographs must reach the editor no later than 4:15

p.m. on Mondays to be considered for publication the same week. Anything received after the deadline will be held until the following week.

If you have any questions, please contact Sp5 Jon Chelgren at ext. 2005 or 3908.



Is it soup yet?

PFC Marian Wilson (l.) shows off some freshly cooked chicken to Maj. Gen. Kenneth E. Dohleman (r.), deputy commander of Sixth Army, during Dohleman's recent visit to the Parks Reserve Forces Training Area. Wilson is a cook with the 426th Civil Affairs Company from Upland, Calif., and was training at Parks when Dohleman visited. Lt. Col. Michael Mark, Parks' commander, looks on.

photo by John Haberle



Sp6 Jerry Evatt shows his NBC skills at a test station.

Practiced hands trace trained movements

Story and photos by Jon Chelgren

"Gas!" With that cry, breathing stops as practiced hands repeat carefully trained movements. Hands reach to their sides, open bags and pull out protective masks which are donned and cleared.

All this takes nine seconds or less. For the soldiers who take longer, contamination from chemical or biological agents makes them battlefield casualties.

With that in mind, soldiers from Headquarters Company, USAG are completing day-long training sessions today at Fort Scott. The sessions, which started Monday, are designed to teach soldiers skills that not only may save their own lives, but may save the lives of their fellow soldiers as well

should they come under nuclear, chemical or biological (NBC) attack on some future battlefield.

During the training, soldiers are taught how to properly don their gas masks to protect themselves as well as such skills as NBC first aid, decontamination procedures, identification of NBC hazards and how to wear protective suits in a contaminated environment.

Following morning classes, the soldiers must then demonstrate their mastery of those skills in a series of hands on tests. Afterwards, they are sent into a gas chamber as a final stage in their training.



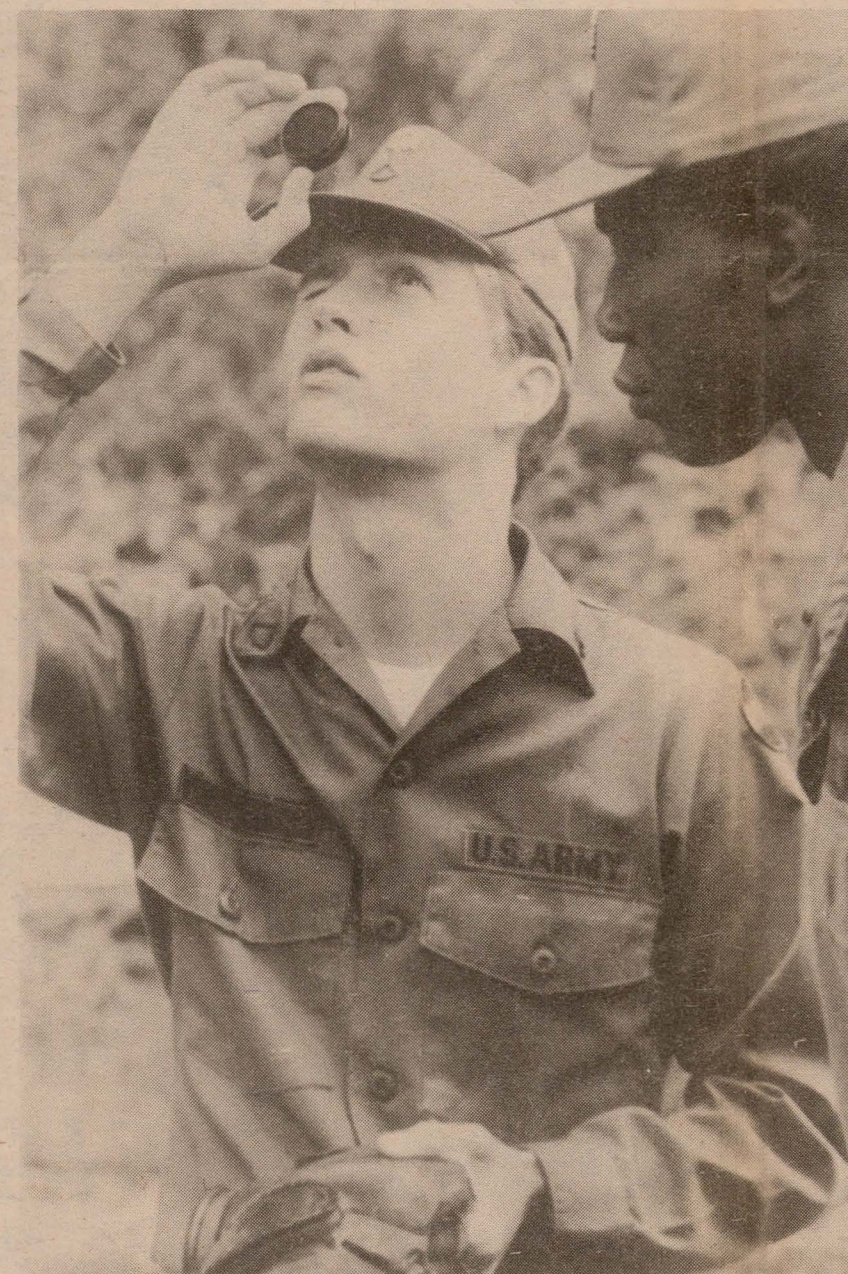
Sgt. Scott Brady simulates equipment decontamination.



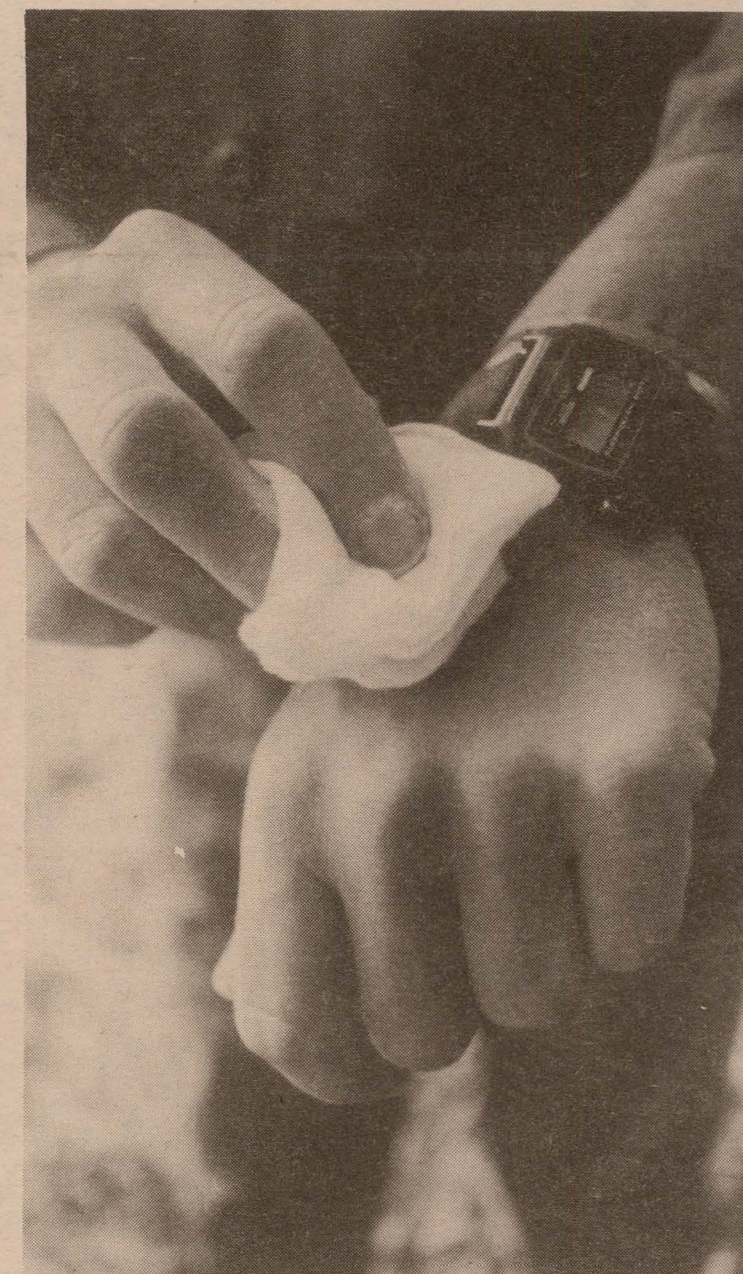
SSgt. Raymond Garrido (l.) instructs a group in nuclear blast protection.



Brady shows soldiers what to look for when checking a mask.



PFC Dewayne James (l.) checks a filter.



Contaminated skin must be thoroughly treated.



MSgt. John Funes clears his mask.

Time to spare

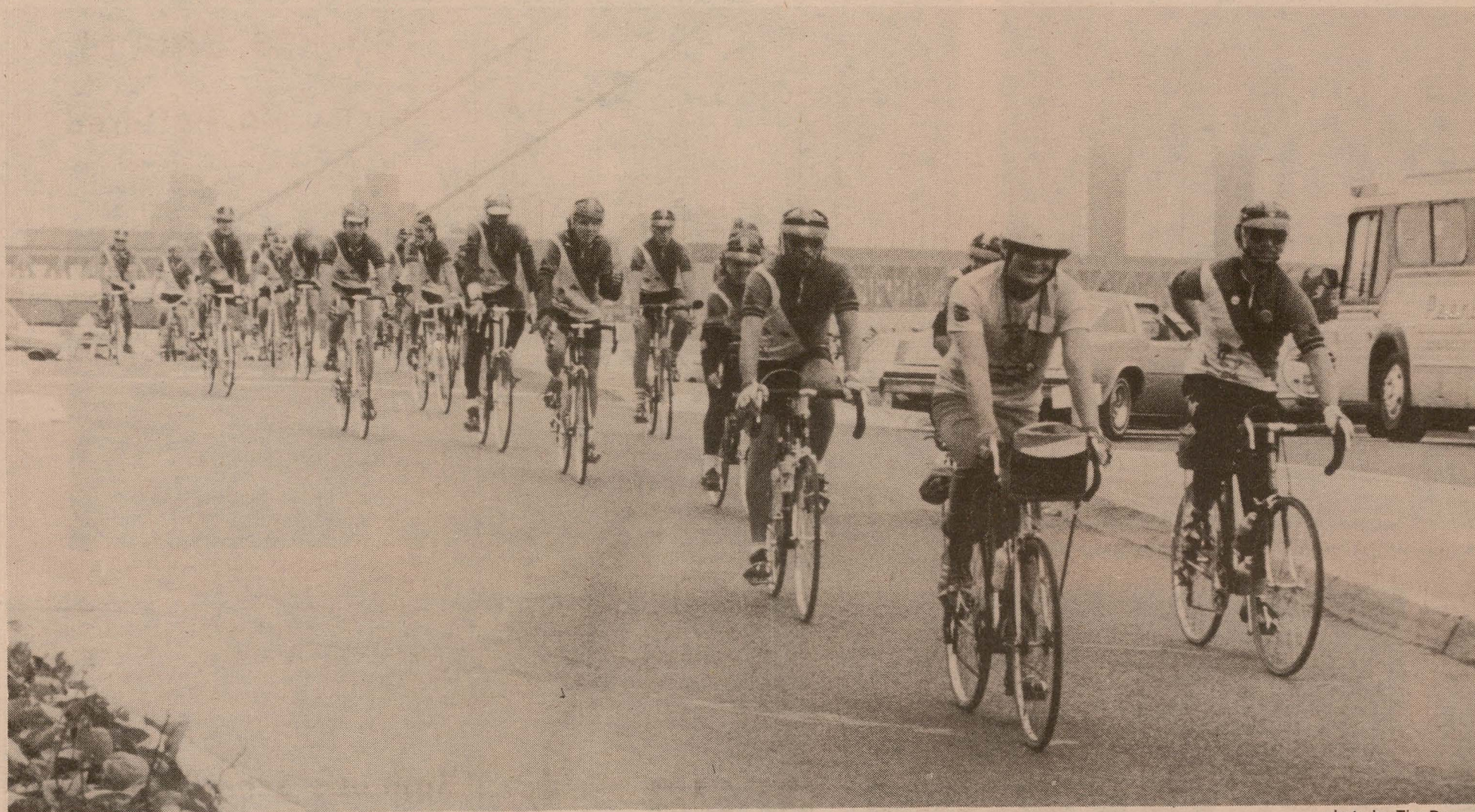


photo by Tim Dewar

This group of bikers crossed post during a charity race recently. Biking is a popular sport in the Bay Area and post personnel interested in joining the fun

can get their wheels from the Outdoor Recreation Center in building 96. The center has a wide variety of equipment available for rent

Plenty of tours, tickets available

Several tours are being sponsored by the Recreation Center in the near future, such as:

Santa Cruz Beachwalk on Saturday, August 22, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. for \$5 per person. Transportation will be deluxe commercial motorcoach.

"Russian River Western Tour" is planned for August 29, 10:30 p.m. to midnight for \$10 per person. This tour will consist of a Champagne tasting tour, swimming at the pool of

the Rio Nido Lodge, a real cowboy supper consisting of big helpings of barbecued beef, ribs, or chicken; beans, spuds, sourdough rolls with butter and honey, spicecake, coffee or lemonade.

To finish off the evening there will be live entertainment by "Riders of the Circle T", a country-western band. Don't wait to sign-up for this one, spaces are limited.

Canoe Trip on the Russian River, Saturday, September 12, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. (approx) for \$25 per per-

son. By popular demand, the Recreation Center is pleased to announce our second canoe trip of the season. Spaces for this trip are filled strictly on a first-come basis.

Tickets available for sale:

Great America—\$8.50—regularly \$11.95

Marineworld Africa USA—\$6.75 and \$4.75—regularly \$8.95 and \$5.95

Lion Country Safari tickets (In Irvine, CA)—\$4.25 and \$2.75—regularly \$5.95 and \$3.75

Discount coupons for local events and events in Southern California. Stop by and take look at what they have.

Oakland Raiders tickets for all home games at \$17 and \$11.

During the month of August, the Recreation Center will be closed Tuesday and Wednesdays.

For additional information concerning Recreation Center activities, call Ext 2000. Ticket sale and distribution of discount coupons are available after 4:00 p.m.

At the movies

Presidio Theater

Aug. 20	Happy Birthday To Me (R)	7 p.m.
Aug. 21	Happy Birthday To Me (R)	7 p.m.
Aug. 22	The Aristocats (G)	2 p.m.
Aug. 22	The Aristocats (G)	7 p.m.
Aug. 23	Nine to Five (PG)	7 p.m.
Aug. 24	Nine to Five (PG)	7 p.m.
Aug. 25	Fear No Evil (R)	7 p.m.
Aug. 26	Eyes of a Stranger (R)	7 p.m.
Aug. 27	The Legend of the Lone Ranger (PG)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Aug. 20	Modern Romance (R)	7 p.m.
Aug. 21	Coast to Coast (PG)	7 p.m.
Aug. 24	Happy Birthday To Me (R)	7 p.m.
Aug. 25	The Aristocats (G)	7 p.m.
Aug. 26	Nine to Five (PG)	7 p.m.
Aug. 27	Fear No Evil (R)	7 p.m.

"Happy Birthday To Me" is a mystery starring Melissa Sue Anderson as a disturbed student forced to face her traumatic past on a private school campus where there have been a series of mysterious disappearances.

Sports



The major league All-Stars reached the finals.

Major leaguers grab second in season finale

The Presidio mayor league All-Stars finished their season recently by reaching the finals of the Treasure Island Tournament.

In their first game the youths eliminated Treasure Island from the tournament 5-2.

The winning pitcher was Victor McDonald. Leading hitters included Joey McGarry, Jeffrey

Hill and Reggie King, who hit a solo homerun over the center field fence.

The win moved the Presidians into the semi finals where they avenged an earlier loss to Pinole-Hercules by drubbing their opponents 11-2.

The score was 5-2 late in the game when the Presidio batters

turned the game into a rout.

Leading hitters included Robbie McAuley, Joey McGarry, Jeffrey Hill, Reggie King and Richard Mead. Pitcher Robbie Newton went the distance for the victory.

In the finals, the Presidio broke down in the face of a superb pitching display and lost to Moffett Field 9-0.

Commanders Cup

Golf winners announced

The Commanders Cup Golf Tournament was held last week at the Presidio Army Golf Course, with a field of 46 golfers competing over 36 holes. The results are:

OPEN DIVISION:

Low Gross	Score
1st Place Joe Gardner, LAMC	163
2nd Place Gary Dutcher, LAIR	171
Low Net	
1st Place Robert Neuteboom, LAIR	139
2nd Place Ken Volk, LAIR	144

SENIOR DIVISION:

Low Gross	
1st Place Greg Dillon, Sixth Army	165
2nd Place Bobbie Tate, Sixth Army	167
Low Net	
1st Place John Weaver, Region Nine	141
2nd Place Bill Colbert, Sixth Army	141
CALLAWAY DIVISION:	
Low Gross	
1st Place LeRoy Cole, LAMC	165
2nd Place Tom Hanlon, Region Nine	170
Low Net	
1st Place Bill Zabicki, LAMC	146
2nd Place Robert Tracy, CID	152

Sports Shorts

Exercise class offered

Dance exercise classes are being held at post gym No. 2 and are open to beginners and intermediates. The classes meet Tuesdays and Thursdays 4:30-5:30 p.m. with other sessions on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Although current three-week sessions have already started, persons may still join the classes at anytime. The first class session is free. Cost for the rest of the program is \$15 for six classes and \$22.50 for nine classes.

Boxers wanted

The Presidio boxing team is in need of open and novice boxers to start training as soon as possible in preparation for the 1981 FORSCOM Boxing Championships, to be held at Fort Campbell, Ky. in early February. If selected to the team, boxers will be facing university teams from Santa Clara, California, Berkeley, Reno, Nevada, the Armed Forces Team and many community teams. Contact Jim Ragasa, at ext. 4120/5032 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Sign ups scheduled

The 1981 DYA basketball program will be getting underway. Sign-ups for the 1981 DYA Basketball program will be held Aug. 29 at the Fort Scott Gym from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. In addition to accompanying their children, parents are requested to bring copies of birth certificates, and a \$5.00 registration fee per child. The divisions are as follows:

Minor League—8-12 years old
Major League—13-16 years old
Junior League—17-18 years old

Those interested in coaching or officiating are requested to contact Karl Gaffney at exts. 5328/2070.

Soccer coming

The 1981 DYA soccer program will be sponsoring teams to participate in the upcoming pre-season Viking practice league which starts Sept. 12. Teams are broken down by age as follows:

Under 14 years of age
Under 12 years of age
Under 10 years of age
Under 8 years of age

Sign-ups will be conducted at the Fort Scott gym from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., on Aug. 29. In addition to accompanying their children, parents are requested to bring copies of birth certificates, a small color picture and a \$7 registration fee, of which \$5 will go towards the NCYSA identification card.

Those interested in coaching, officiating or desiring further information are requested to contact Karl Gaffney at exts. 5328/2070.

News Notes

School dates change

Both the San Francisco and Marin school districts have changed the dates for new students to register for the next school year, according to officials at the Army Community Service.

The dates for registration for San Francisco school students is now Aug. 24 for most elementary and all high school students. Those students attending John Swett Elementary School may register now.

Sixth through eighth graders attending Marina Middle School have two dates to register. The students may register Aug. 24 by appointment only or signup during open registration on Aug. 31. Marina appointments can be made by calling 565-9577.

For children at Forts Barry, Baker and Cronkhite, school now starts on Sept. 8. Bayside Elementary and Martin Luther King schools have open registration on Aug. 24 while Tamalpais High School has already started accepting registration of new students.

Additional information can be obtained by calling the ACS at ext. 5057/5256.

Meeting moves to Monday

The Presidio Parent-Youth Club has announced that the monthly parent meeting previously held on the first Thursday of every month has been changed to the first Wednesday of every month. For more information contact Nancy Robertson at 386-3087.

Fair needs help

Letterman Army Medical Center's annual health fair is set to open Oct. 22. It will run through the 23rd and be combined with the Presidio's "All-American Week" activities.

Volunteers are needed to help staff certain medical exhibits and booths at the fair. If you have experience in taking blood pressure or weight and height measurements and can spare a few hours, your help is urgently needed.



Photo of the Week

Sgt. Bill Gibbs took Photo of the Week honors with this shot from Chong Mong, Korea. His entry now goes on to face other weekly winners in quarterly

competition. If you would like to enter your favorite photo, drop it by our newsroom in building 37, room 214.

Contact Lt. Col. Mary DeWan at the Preventative Medicine Office by calling ext. 2003 during normal duty hours.

Activities available

The Presidio Parents-Youth Club has announced two upcoming events:

On Aug. 23, the club is hosting a skating party at Treasure Island beginning at noon. Transportation to the party will leave the Presidio Com-

munity Center at 11:30 a.m. Interested parents and youths should contact Mike Witmer 668-0315 or Tina McKenzie at ext. 2546.

A back-to-school dance will be held at the community center Aug. 28 from 7 p.m. to midnight. Youths will be admitted to the dance only if they have a written permission slip or if their parents give verbal assurances that the youths will have transportation home after the dance. For further information contact Nancy Robertson at 386-3087.

The system works for this captain

by K. Douglas Cook

"I've become used to kicking down walls in my life. I'm a guy who just won't go away."

So says Aristides Gonzalez, 38, of Petaluma, Calif., who is about to literally undergo a second "major" transition in his life.

Almost two years ago, Gonzalez was an Army captain and faced elimination from the service because he had not been selected for promotion. His career was seemingly over.

His failure to be promoted had its roots in 1975 while Gonzalez was at the U. S. Army Institute for Military Assistance at Fort Bragg, N. C.

"I received an unfavorable OER (Officer Efficiency Report) from my supervisor," says Gonzalez. "In my opinion, the report was unfair so I asked my supervisor and then his

superior to reconsider the report. In both cases, I was most unsuccessful."

Gonzalez attempted to use the next course of action open to military personnel to correct such reports. He made appeal to the Army Board of Corrections in Washington on two separate occasions. The first time, the appeal was dismissed without a hearing. Again, a failure.

"I felt pretty badly about it," recalls Gonzalez, "but I knew I had a strong case so I kept working within the system to get a favorable review of the efficiency report and the lack of promotion to major."

Gonzalez points to the Army's affirmative action program as being one of the factors for the success he would ultimately realize.

"Patience combined with a belief that the Army will correct wrongs

kept me going," explains Gonzalez.

On June 25, then Mr. Gonzalez, chief of Force Development at the Presidio, received a letter. It was from the chief of the Army's promotions branch. In short, the letter stated that as of Oct. 1, 1979, Gonzalez was a major. His perseverance had paid off. His faith in the system was proven.

"My wife and I are delighted about this," says Gonzalez. "In a few months, I will be able to put back on my uniform, with a new rank, and resume my Army career."

Perhaps the words which then Capt. Gonzalez spoke on Jan. 31, 1980, his last day in uniform, now have special meaning.

As he said goodbye to friends and associates, Gonzalez added, "I will be back."

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Presidio won't charge parents for bus service

The Presidio will continue to provide free bus service for area private school children this fall, according to post transportation officials.

Col. Victor H. Fernandez, chief of the Directorate of Industrial Operations, says that the decision has been made to continue the service free of charge for nearly 250 parents of first through fifth grade children at the Presidio.

FORSCOM officials had advised the post in January to discontinue the practice. Early estimates of the possible charges ran as high as nearly \$200 per student.

"Happily, these charges will not have to be paid by the families involved," said one post official of the decision.

The news comes on the heels of word from the Marin County School District that it will continue free service to public schools students at Forts Barry, Baker and Cronkhite. Earlier the district had indicated that they would either drop or charge for the service because of financial cutbacks by the district.

Fernandez notes that the district will be requesting voluntary contributions from parents to help defray bus costs, but says that that is strictly a matter between the parents and district.

In making the announcements, Fernandez stressed that the service is for first through fifth grade private schoolers with older children riding on a space available basis only.

MPs to enforce rules

Presidio military policemen will begin issuing tickets and possibly ordering some cars towed away as enforcement of the post's new parking policy gets underway Tuesday.

Although the policy has actually been in effect since earlier this month, enforcement efforts were delayed to allow time for crews to paint new reserved spaces which were authorized under the policy. The paint crews finished with the last of 65 new spaces last week.

Under the policy, reserved spaces

have been designated for van and car-pools, handicapped persons and key staff personnel.

Drivers in the latter category must now register their cars with the Headquarters Commandant's Office to avoid being issued a citation or towed.

To register, the drivers will identify the vehicle which they will be parking in the reserved space. At that time they will be issued a permit which must be displayed in the car window.



photo by Jon Chelgren

An artist at work

Manuel Naniola of The Facilities Engineers sprays a reserved space marker behind the Provost Marshal's Office last week. He and his fellow painters wrapped the job of marking newly reserved spaces last week allowing the MPs to begin enforcing the new post parking policy beginning. The MPs plan to use citations and possibly tow away violators to enforce the new rules. (See related story on this page.)

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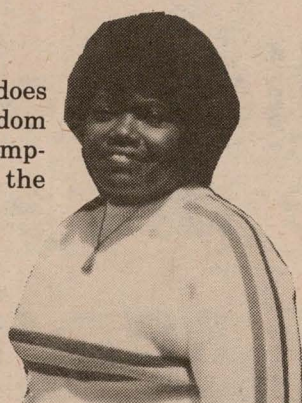
Do you use the commissary
and does it fit your needs?



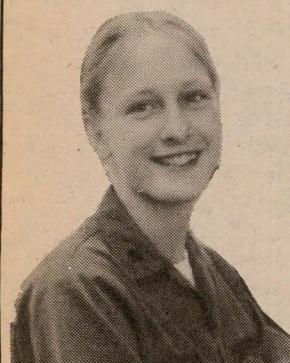
SFC Roger Goodman, USACC

"Yes I do. Sometimes we may have to go to other places to get things we need, but by and large, it meets my needs."

"Yes, overall it does a good job. Very seldom do I have any complaints and I love the hours."

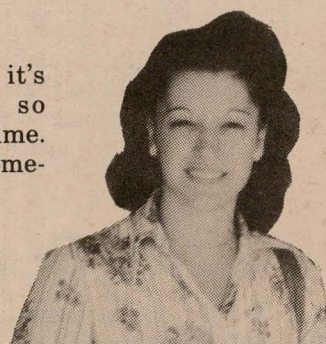


Mrs. Emma Norman, dependent



Sp4 Karin Waters, COMPACT

"Yes I do, but it's just that it is so crowded all the time. Sometimes I go somewhere else."



1st Lt. Michelle Wojtas, LAMC

Commentary

Seen any white rocks?

by K. Douglas Cook



I noticed the other day that the Fall clean-up campaign is getting close. You'll be hearing more about it in this paper and around post, but for those of you who joined the "Lean Green Machine" pre-1971, this should bring back some fond memories.

Now the young troopers won't identify with all this nostalgia, but weren't those old days grand! Awww, come on, it wasn't that long ago. You remember, don't you?

As I recall the name tags were white and the Army tag was black and orange. The only people with long hair were women and orchestra conductors. You just didn't drive on to a post, you were permitted to enter and leave.

There were days when the meanest thing on two wheels was the company top kick who used to smile once a month to make sure his mouth still moved in that direction.

My first sergeant was a gentleman by the name of Ferdette. We called him the Ferret, but, I assure you, never to his face! He had one basic saying which I think he repeated at least 10 times a day. "You people are in the Army, but you ain't soldiers yet! You will earn the title of soldier... is that clear?"

Well, old Ferret had a thing about cleanliness in his company. I personally believe he owned stock in paste wax, paint and cleanser companies the way we used that stuff! He could spot a piece of green paper in the middle of a green parade field at 1000 meters! Ferret hated anything which was attached to dust.

He even had a way of making the platoon sergeants, squad leaders and even the company mail clerk meaner. They all became believers in the famous "Ferret System."

In short, this system was based upon the fact that the Army crawled in dirt, dug in dirt and fought for dirt. However, the Army didn't like dirt except where it belonged. By the way, "dirt" was defined as anything which was not issued by or obtainable within the Army.

If you ever have a chance to visit the famous "Hill" at Fort Ord and kick around the old parade field, you may find a row of white rocks where I first discovered my talent as a painter! Ferret was crazy about white rocks and, as such, he and mother nature didn't exactly get along when it came to rocks.

So, while we're cleaning up the Presidio, you can be sure at least one person is thinking about the old days. I'm pretty certain that old Ferret has hung up his boots, but if any white rocks start showing up on post, yours truly is (1) headed for the barber shop, (2) avoiding any parade grounds and (3) not going to be seen in the company area!

Action Line

Dear Editor,

After living over two years at "bumper car corner"—the corner of Lincoln Boulevard and the approach to the Golden Gate Bridge toll plaza—I have a question. Despite innumerable collisions at this location, why has no attempt been made to improve traffic conditions?

An out-of-towner comes upon the turn onto the bridge with no advance warning in either direction. There are no signs informing the driver that the turn is just ahead.

In addition view of the intersection is obstructed by a large overgrowth of shrubbery when proceeding in a westerly direction on Lincoln.

I feel this situation could be easily and inexpensively improved by installation of signs warning of

the impending turn as well as the trimming of the obstructing shrubbery.

Dianne Holcombe

Ms. Holcombe,

To get an answer to your question, we contacted MSgt. William Thomas at the Presidio Provost Marshall's office

Thomas had his traffic section study the area and recommended that two signs be installed indicating that the turn to the Golden Gate Bridge is 500 feet ahead and two additional signs 50 feet from the intersection with an arrow pointing in the direction of the turn. His office also apprised the engineers of the shrubbery which needs to be trimmed.

The Editor

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'It's getting easier to catch abusers'

More than 20 Presidians recently identified as "telephone abusers" have either lost post residence phones or been made to pay for unauthorized calls, according to officials at the Directorate of Communications and Electronics (DCE).

Sgt. Maj. Thomas Sullo of DCE says that 22 post residents had their phones removed for a variety of abuses while another Presidian faces disciplinary action for more than \$1000 worth of unauthorized calls. The man also must pay for those calls.

According to Sullo, forms of telephone abuse range from failure to pay for residential service to intentional damage to equipment as well as placing unauthorized long distance calls.

Sullo notes that the post receives a computer printout which lists all of the long distance calls made from the post. Those records are reviewed by DCE officials as well as a telephone control officers in each administrative section. Based upon that review, suspected fraudulent calls are identified and DCE investigates.

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Noting that his office has persons working full-time to investigate suspected calls, Sullo cautions potential abusers that it really is not that hard to track down unauthorized calls.

Citing one example he says, "A person will place a long distance call and when the local operator asks for their number, the caller gives a fraudulent one. When the record of the call shows up on the billing statement, the real owner of the telephone number is quick to let us know there

is a problem. We check these out and with a little perserverance we can locate the real caller."

He also points out that Pacific Telephone and Telegraph (PT&T) officials fully cooperate with DCE in tracking down the fraudulent calls.

According to Maj. Philip Patterson, DCE chief, "PT&T has doubled their staff of investigators to just track down fraudulent calls made from the Presidio. With their help it is getting easier and easier to catch abusers."

Traffic effect minimal

1500 runners expected for Sunday's race

Post traffic will be virtually unaffected by the influx of 1500 runners competing in Sunday's Presidio 10-mile race, according to post officials.

The race starts at 9 a.m. at Owen & Graham Streets by the Sixth Army parade field. The runners will then head down Graham to Lincoln, turn onto Halleck and enter Crissy Field.

After going as far as the Coast Guard Station, the racers will head back onto the Presidio on old Mason Street in front of the Post Exchange, turn onto Holleck and then run along Lincoln Boulevard to the Golden Gate Bridge.

Once they have crossed the bridge, the runners will trace their steps along Lincoln as far as Sheridan Avenue where they will detour over to Graham via Infantry Terrace and Moraga Avenue.

Although the race is expected to draw the 1500 runners across some of the post's main thoroughfares, post officials say the effect on traffic will be minimal. They cite the early hour of the race and the fact that it will be closely monitored in making that prediction. Members of the Provost Marshal's Office Traffic Section will be on hand to ensure that the race goes smoothly.

Youth activities

Crissy Field center to open soon

The Presidio Parent Youth Club will host the grand opening of its new activities center in building 908 at Crissy Field on Sept. 12 between noon and 4 p.m.

Capping several months of work by club members and post officials, the opening will feature music, food, beverages and dancing, according to club spokesman, Maj. Robert McKenzie.

McKenzie says establishment of the center fills the gap left by the closure of the post youth center several years ago.

The center will be open at nights

and offer Presidio youths a place to go at night and on weekends, McKenzie says. It will be staffed by parent volunteers, he says.

The club will use the grand opening to sign up new members and McKenzie says that parents interested in getting involved in the club may also do so at that time.

The Presidio Parent-Youth Club and the host of Dependent Youth Activities offered here, have been credited by some post officials with making the summer months relatively peaceful with few youth-related crimes and incidents.



photo by Tim Dewar

Let me entertain you

Margaret Hardy (r.) of the Management Information Systems Office has a front row view of a male stripper from Eastern Union. The act was staged for Hardy's retirement party Aug. 19. "If I knew this was going to happen every day, I would never leave," she said of the party.

Crime Prevention: Lock it or lose it!

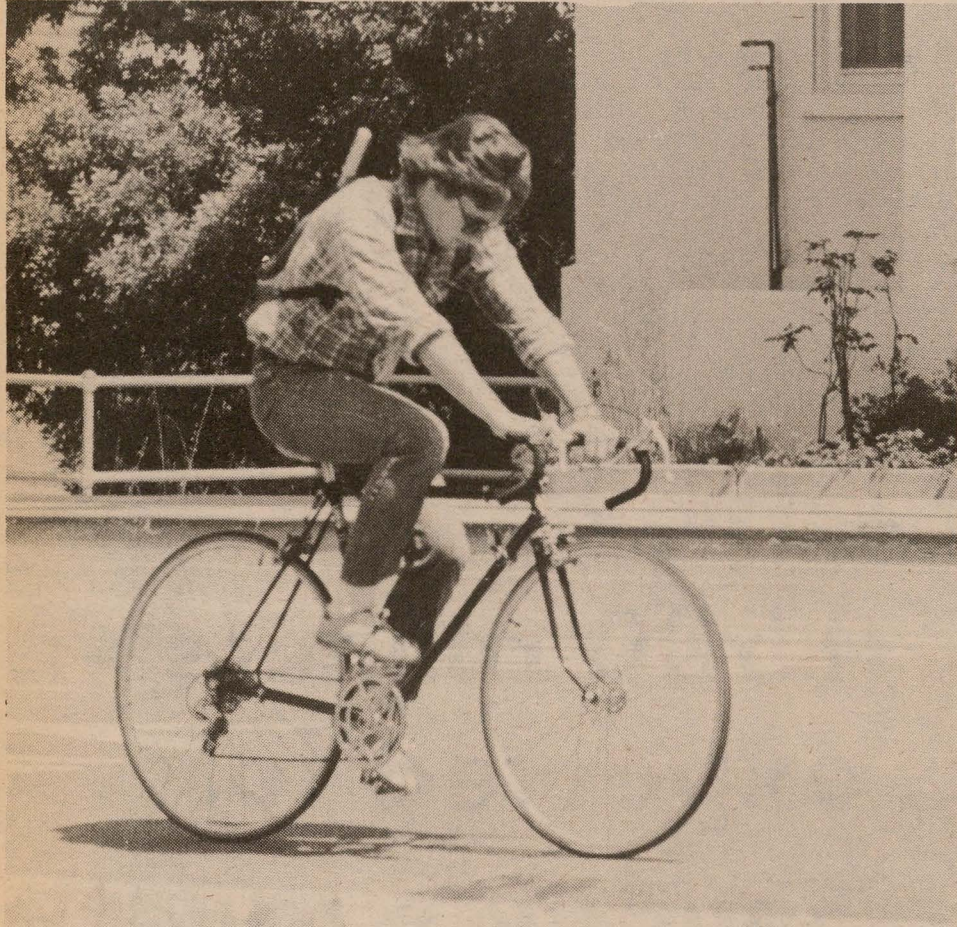


photo by Tim Dewar

As bicycling's popularity soars, "bike bagging" also rises.

by Charles Taylor

According to the post Military Police Crime Prevention Section, there has been an increase in property thefts recently throughout the Presidio.

Sgt. Robert Raisor, NCOIC of the Crime Prevention Section, says, "Bikes seem to be the hottest items for thieves lately. The price of gasoline has created a tremendous demand for bicycle transportation. With the increasing popularity of the bicycle, 'bike bagging' is becoming big business. In the last six months, more than \$5000 worth of bikes were stolen here."

"50 percent of the bikes stolen, like most stolen items, were left unsecured," Raisor continued. "There have been 32 bike thefts so far this year, and as we get into the warmer months, the number seems to increase each month. We have even gone as far doubling our military police strength on patrols."

Although bikes are the hottest items for thieves, cars, car parts and motorcycles are in the running, according to Raisor.

"Every now and then I conduct a survey," he says. "The survey consists of security checks throughout the post and sub-posts. Many times I've found garage doors, toys, car covers, mopeds, tires, tools, lawn and garden equipment and bicycles unsecured."

Raisor feels that making it difficult for thieves by securing property, is the best form of protection. He suggests Presidians take a number of steps to protect their property:

- Mark your goods or valuables with your drivers license number, to help locate the owner easily if goods are found.
- Register all bikes with the Military Police in bldg. 36.
- Keep a detailed description or photograph of bikes (photographs are excellent) to include writing down the serial number.
- Conceal your property when left unattended by putting it out of view of passersby.

For more information about protecting valuables, contact Raisor at ext. 5011.

Transportation officials set new school bus schedules

Post transportation officials have announced the new bus schedules for Presidio fist through fifth graders attending area private schools.

Route No. 1, which carries children to and from Star of the Sea School, will operate on the following schedule beginning today:

Morning route		Afternoon route	
Stops	Time	Stops	Time
Motor Pool	7:26		
Lincoln & Presidio	7:30	Star of the Sea School	2:40
512 Simonds Loop	7:32	Lincoln & Brooks	2:47
537 Simonds Loop	7:34	Lincoln & Pershing	2:48
Presidio & Liggett	7:35	960 Hoffman	2:52
Clark & Liggett	7:36	1310 Kobbe	2:55
Portola & Morton	7:39	Kobbe & Upton	2:56
Presidio & McArthur	7:42	1407 Washington Blvd.	2:59
Presidio & Funston	7:44	414 Washington Blvd.	3:01
333 Infantry Terrace	7:46	333 Infantry Terrace	3:04
414 Washington Blvd.	7:46	Presidio & Funston	3:07
1407 Washington Blvd.	7:50	Presidio & McArthur	3:08
Kobbe & Upton	7:52	512 Simonds Loop	3:10
1310 Kobbe	7:55	537 Simonds Loop	3:11
960 Hoffman	7:57	Presidio & Liggett	3:13
Lincoln & Brooks	7:59	Clark & Liggett	3:14
Lincoln & Pershing	8:03	Portola & Morton	3:17
Star of the Sea School	8:05	Bldg 1016-Lincoln	3:20
		Motor Pool	3:25

Beginning Wednesday, Route No. 2 will serve children attending Katherine Burke and Zion Lutheran Schools:

Morning route		Afternoon route	
Stops	Time	Stops	Time
Motor Pool	7:36		
Bldg 66-Lincoln	7:40	Zion Lutheran	3:10
512 Simonds Loop	7:42	Katherine Burke School	3:16
537 Simonds Loop	7:44	Lincoln & Pershing	3:24
Presidio & Liggett	7:46	Upton & Storey	3:27
Clark & Liggett	7:47	960 Hoffman	3:28
Portola & Morton	7:50	414 Washington Blvd.	3:32
Presidio & Funston	7:53	333 Infantry Terrace	3:35
333 Infantry Terrace	7:56	Presidio & Funston	3:38

414 Washington Blvd.	8:00	Presidio & McArthur	3:39
960 Hoffman	8:05	Portola & Morton	3:41
Lincoln & Pershing	8:09	Clark & Liggett	3:43
Zion Lutheran School	8:15	537 Simonds Loop	3:44
Katherine Burke School	8:21	512 Simonds Loop	3:45
		Bldg. 1016 Lincoln	3:47
		Motor Pool	3:50

For children attending Zion Lutheran and St. Monicas Schools, Route No. 3 will operate on the following schedule beginning Wednesday:

Morning route		Afternoon route	
Stops	Time	Stops	Time
Motor Pool	7:33	St. Monicas School	2:55
512 Simonds Loop	7:38	Lincoln & Pershing	3:00
537 Simonds Loop	7:39	1407 Washington Blvd.	3:04
Presidio & Liggett	7:41	1310 Kobbe	3:07
Clark & Liggett	7:42	Kobbe & Upton	3:08
Portola & Morton	7:45	Ruckman & Storey	3:10
Presidio & McArthur	7:46	960 Hoffman	3:14
Presidio & Funston	7:47	414 Washington Blvd.	3:18
333 Infantry Terrace	7:50	333 Infantry Terrace	3:21
414 Washington Blvd.	7:54	Presidio & Funston	3:23
1407 Washington Blvd.	7:56	Presidio & McArthur	3:24
960 Hoffman	7:59	Portola & Morton	3:25
1310 Kobbe	8:02	Clark & Liggett	3:28
Kobbe & Upton	8:04	Presidio & Liggett	3:29
Storey & Ruckman	8:06	537 Simonds Loop	3:30
Lincoln & Pershing	8:10	512 Simonds Loop	3:32
St. Monicas School	8:15	Motor Pool	3:37
Zion Lutheran School	8:20		

Route No. 4 serves St. Vincent de Paul, St. Brigids, Convent of Sacred Hearts, Stuart Hall and Hamlin Schools and starts running Sept. 4:

Morning route		Afternoon route	
Stops	Time	Stops	Time
Motor Pool	7:25	St. Vincent de Paul	2:40
1298 Storey Ave	7:28	St. Brigids	2:45
960 Hoffman	7:29	Fort Mason	3:10
1310 Kobbe	7:32	Convent of Sacred Heart	3:20
Kobbe & Upton	7:33	512 Simonds Loop	3:27
1407 Washington Blvd.	7:36	537 Simonds Loop	3:28
414 Washington Blvd.	7:38	Clark & Liggett	3:29

333 Infantry Terrace	7:42	Morton & Portola	3:30
Post Theatre	7:43	Presidio & McArthur	3:31
Presidio & Funston	7:44	Presidio & Funston	3:32
540 Presidio	7:46	333 Infantry Terrace	3:34
512 Simonds Loop	7:47	414 Washington Blvd.	3:37
537 Simonds Loop	7:49	1407 Washington Blvd.	3:38
Liggett & Clark	7:51	Kobbe & Upton	3:40
Morton & Portola	7:52	Upton & Storey	3:42
Letterman & Lincoln	7:53	960 Hoffman	3:44
St. Vincent de Paul School	7:58	Motor Pool	3:47
Hamlin School	8:05		
Franklin & McArthur	8:11		
St. Brigids School	8:16		
Convent of Sacred Heart	8:21		
St. Vincent de Paul	8:25		

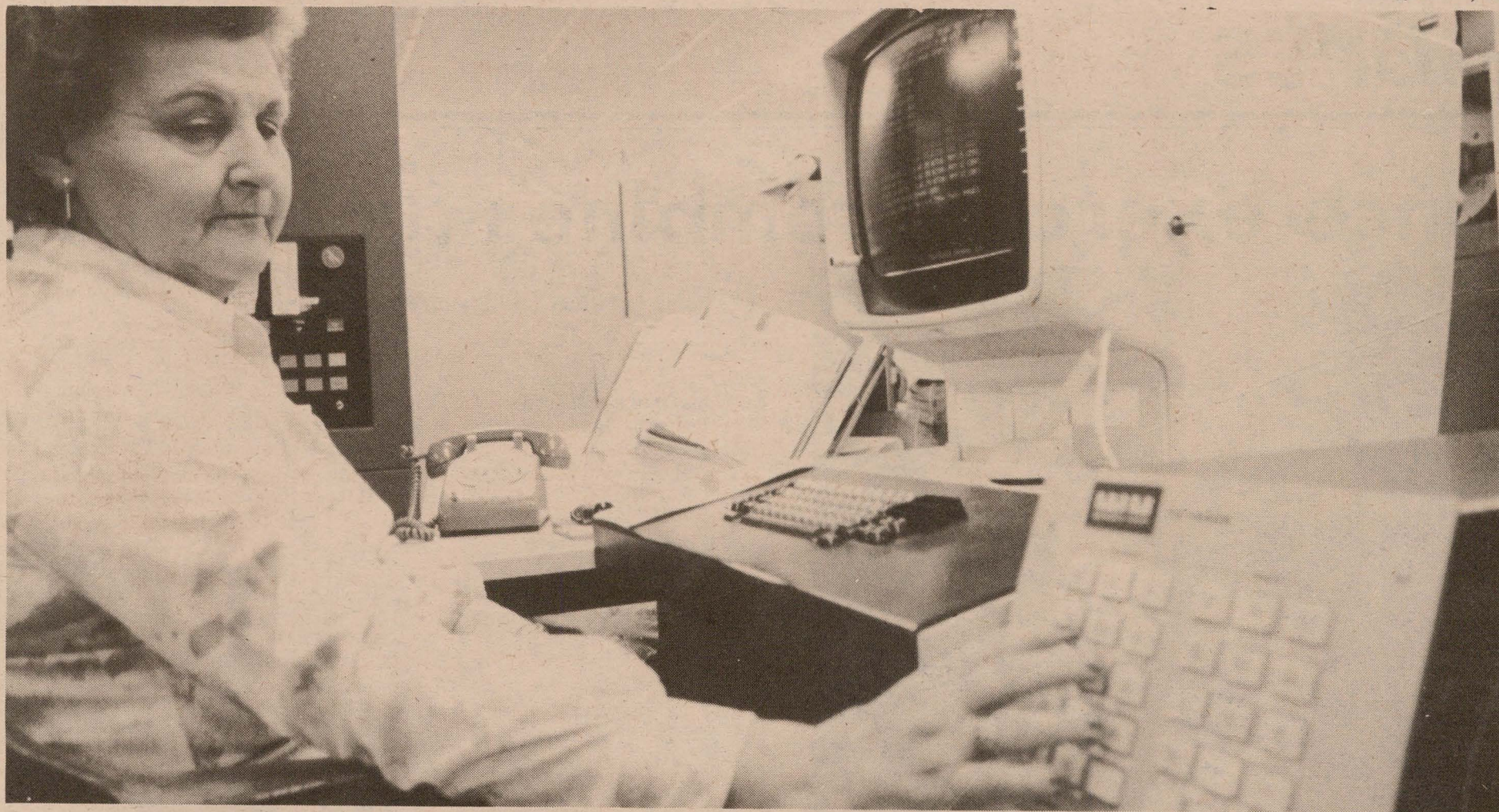
Route No. 5 will take children to Sherman School with two afternoon routes to return children from both Sherman and Zion Lutheran Schools beginning Wednesday:

Morning route		Afternoon route	
Stops	Time	Stops	Time
Motor Pool	7:26	Motor Pool	1:30
Lincoln & Sheridan	7:13	Sherman School	1:50
414 Washington Blvd.	7:17	Franklin & McArthur	1:55
1407 Washington Blvd.	7:19	Clark & Liggett	2:02
Lincoln & Stillwell	7:28	Morton & Portola	2:04
McArthur & Wallen Ct.	7:31	McArthur & Wallen Ct.	2:08
Morton & Portola	7:35	Lincoln & Sheridan	2:12
Liggett & Clark	7:37	414 Washington Blvd.	2:17
Franklin & McArthur	7:44	1407 Washington Blvd.	2:19
Sherman School	7:50	Lincoln & Stillwell	2:24

Second afternoon route

Zion Lutheran School	3:10
960 Hoffman	3:18
1310 Kubbe	3:21
Kobbe & Upton	3:22
1407 Washington Blvd.	3:24

Questions concerning routes and times should be directed to the Transportation Branch at ext. 4807.



Patricia Morrison operates the computer that houses 17 million individual records.

'Where did you send my hold baggage?'

Story and photos by Tim Dewar

A soldier arrives at his new duty station only to find that his hold baggage didn't make the trip.

Regardless of where her or his baggage is, chances are that one Presidio organization will be able to help reunite the two.

Although it is only a small part of the total mission, the Logistic Control Activity (LCA) at Crissy Field is responsible for locating lost cargo shipments.

To help make their job easier, the LCA uses a computer which houses 17 million individual shipment records. Last fiscal year the LCA tracked down 3480 shipments carried on military aircraft.

Still another part of the LCA's

mission is to "challenge" cargo shipments to determine the cheapest way of sending them. Last year the LCA saved more than \$30 million by challenging shipments.

"When we get a shipment that we think can go by surface instead of air, we will call the people and ask them if it is alright to send it that way. It costs only two cents a pound to send something to Korea from the West Coast by boat and more than a dollar a pound by air," explains Capt. Terry Pate of the Customer Assistance Branch.

The LCA also provides worldwide cargo forecasts to Military Airlift Command officials and others who must anticipate the amount of cargo being shipped so that they can arrange for transportation of extra or special cargo.



William Bradford resets a computer which tracks Army shipments.



Bernice Lee checks a cargo shipment printout.

Sports

Dance exercise combines fun, fitness

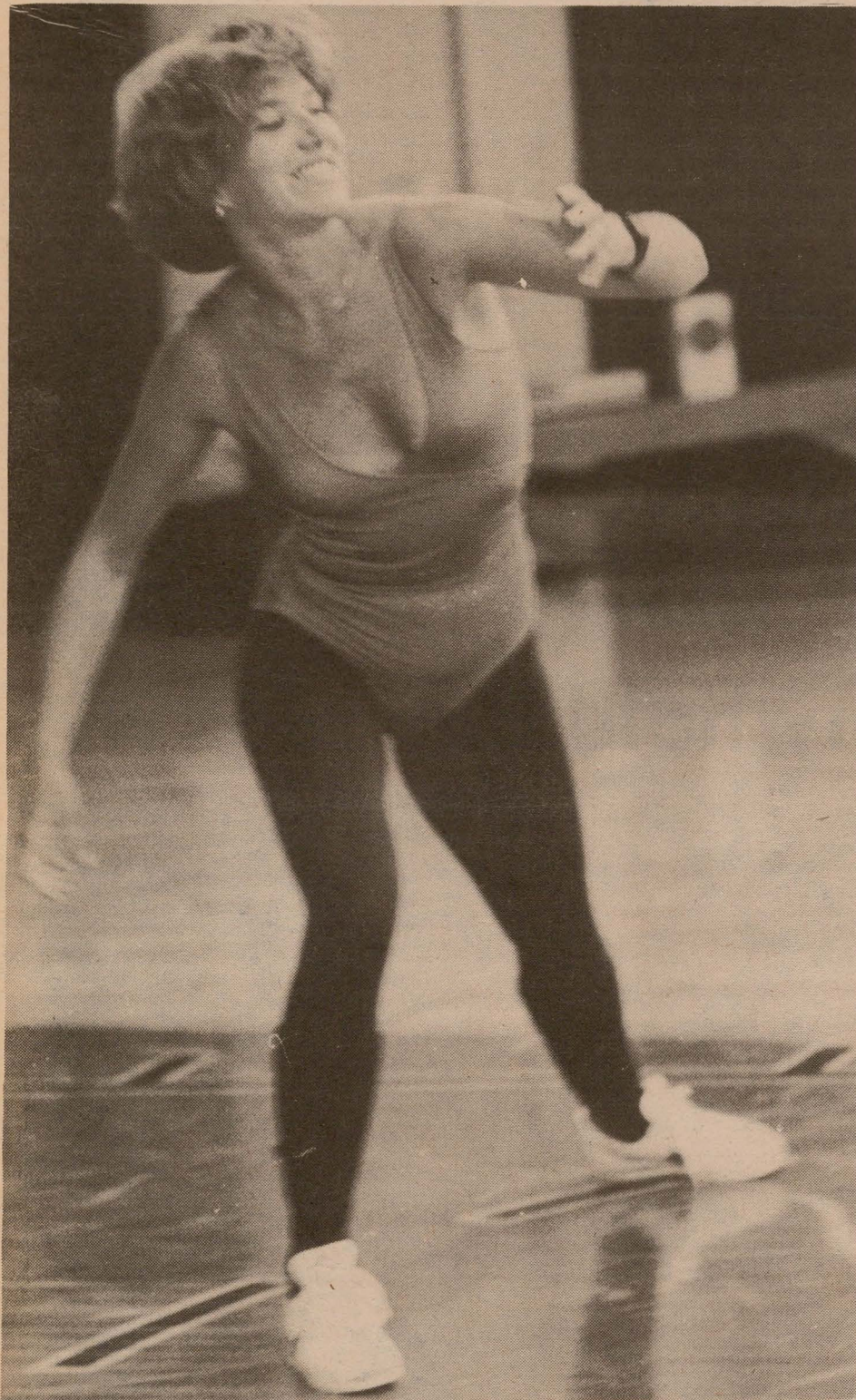
Story and photos by Jon Chelgren

Music blares from speakers as legs kick, bodies gyrate and sweat cascades from every pore as Dee Hill-Mey leads a dance exercise class through their paces.

The class, which meets twice a week for one hour, combines physical

fitness with music in an attempt to make the strain seem fun.

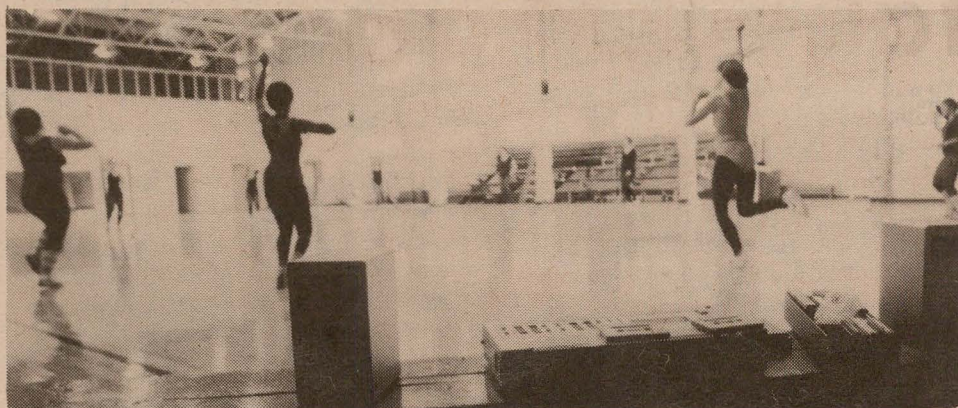
Persons interested in joining the class will get their chance when the next session starts Tuesday. (See related Sports Shorts notice.)



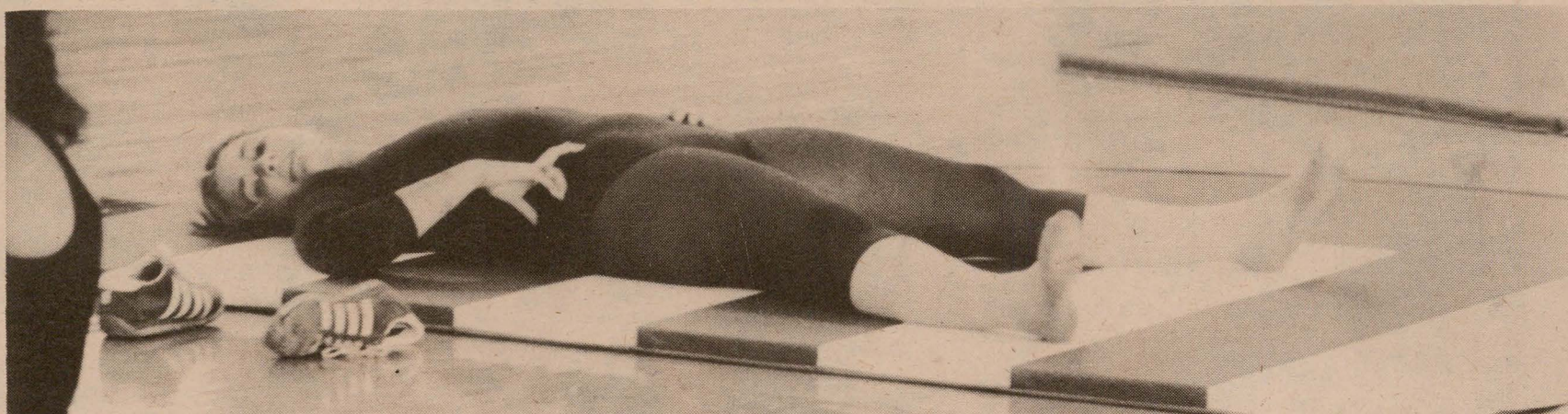
Dee Hill-Mey shows the class how it's done.



Bonnie Forster (foreground) marches to a different drummer.



Music serves to make the exercise seem like less work.



Toni Morrison takes a breather.



Catcher Bob Foley of Sixth Army makes a play at the plate during early action.

photo by John Haberle

Baysiders beat Sixers, take post softball title

The Oakland Baysiders overcame an early deficit to beat the Sixth Army Six Packers 5-2 for the post 1981 Slow Pitch Softball Championship.

Sixth Army started the scoring off when Scott Carr hit a single in the first inning and scored off Kenny Rawlings blast to right field.

Victor Hernandez scored in

the fourth inning to increase the Six Packers lead to 2-0.

In the bottom of the fourth inning, the Baysiders tied the score 2-2 when Rick Mattock boomed a hit to centerfield. The ball was misjudged and two runs scored on the error.

Oakland put the game away in the sixth inning when Ron

walked, Mike Hallet doubled from left field and added an insurance hit for the 5-2 final score.

Sixth Army went into the finals after Glenn Batton pitched and batted them to a 6-3 victory over Oakland earlier in the double elimination tournament.

Sports Shorts

Sign ups set

The 1981 DYA basketball program will be getting underway. Sign-ups for the 1981 DYA Basketball program will be held Aug. 29 at the Fort Scott Gym from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. In addition to accompanying their children, parents are requested to bring copies of birth certificates, and a \$5.00 registration fee per child. The divisions are as follows:
Minor League—8-12 years old
Major League—13-16 years old
Junior League—17-18 years old

Those interested in coaching or officiating are requested to contact Karl Gaffney at exts. 5328/2070.

Soccer coming

The 1981 DYA soccer program will be sponsoring teams to participate in the upcoming pre-season Viking practice league which starts Sept. 12.

Sign-ups will be conducted at the Fort Scott gym from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., on Aug. 29. In addition to accompanying their children, parents are requested to bring copies of birth certificates, a small color picture and a \$7 registration fee, of which \$5 will go towards the NCYSA identification card.

Those interested in coaching, officiating or desiring further information are requested to contact Karl Gaffney at exts. 5328/2070.

Meeting scheduled

A rules and mechanics interpretation meeting will be conducted at post gym no. 1 Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. All personnel interested in officiating flag football at the Presidio and Treasure Island are urged to attend this meeting. For further information contact the Presidio Sports Office at ext. 4120/5032.

Exercise class offered

The next dance exercise class at gym no. 2 begins Tuesday 4:30-5:30 p.m. classes will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays through Sept. 24. Cost is \$20 for the entire four weeks or \$3 per session with the first class being free.

At the movies

Presidio Theater

Aug. 27	The Legend of the Lone Ranger (PG)	7 p.m.
Aug. 28	The Legend of the Lone Ranger (PG)	7 p.m.
Aug. 29	The Land of No Return (G)	2 p.m.
Aug. 29	On The Right Track (PG)	7 p.m.
Aug. 30	Clash of the Titans (PG)	7 p.m.
Aug. 31	Clash of the Titans (PG)	7 p.m.
Sept. 1	Clash of the Titans (PG)	7 p.m.
Sept. 2	Penitentiary (R)	7 p.m.
Sept. 3	Private Benjamin (R)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Aug. 27	Fear No Evil (R)	7 p.m.
Aug. 28	Eyes of a Stranger (R)	7 p.m.
Aug. 31	The Legend of the Lone Ranger (PG)	7 p.m.
Sept. 1	On the Right Track (PG)	7 p.m.
Sept. 2	Clash of the Titans (PG)	7 p.m.
Sept. 3	Clash of the Titans (PG)	7 p.m.

"Penitentiary" is a raw, brutal prison drama with a touch of "Rocky" and lots of man-to-man confrontations.

News Notes

Refund forms

Many Presidians who paid money for parking on post have still not made it over to the headquarters commandant's office.

Although a final decision has yet to be made, the paperwork required to process any potential parking fee refund is available. All it requires is a trip to building 36.

If you qualify for a potential refund, contact the commandant's office at ext. 2852 during normal duty hours.

Bring on the band

Tuesday the morning air was suddenly filled with the rasp of snare drums and the blare of horns. People looked at their watches, checked their calendars and wondered what was happening.

For those still wondering, it was the Sixth Army Band and, yes, they did play the theme from "Rocky" and some low-down blues.

CWO John Dunlop, bandmaster, explains, "We're trying to start a new policy where each Tuesday we perform around the post. Next Tuesday we'll be up in the Fort Scott area and, then a week later back on main post."

The chances this program will succeed may well be gauged by the reactions to the band's initial performance on main post.

"Great... fantastic... what's been needed... they should do this every day!" were just some of the comments as Presidians looked out of windows and stood along the curbs.

If you like the idea and feel it should continue, call Dunlop at ext. 4336 and let him know.

Ballet offered

Parents interested in having their children ages 5 and older take ballet lessons should contact Helen Piernik at 994-0681 between noon and 2 p.m. Classes are held in Bldg 1390 near the Fort Scott Chapel.

Registration will be Sept. 3-4 and Sept. 10-11, between the hours of 4-6 p.m. in Bldg. 1390. Classes start Sept. 14.

Meeting set

The Letterman Women's Club will begin its 1981-82 season with a membership and activities coffee to be held at the Presidio Officers' Club on Sept. 10 at 10 a.m. In addition to joining LWC, interested persons will have the opportunity to sign up for a variety of classes and club activities.

Reservations are not required for the coffee. Questions concerning membership should be directed to Diane Meyers, membership chairman, at ext. 2671.

Action line

Ever wake up at 3 in the morning and want to yell at someone? Did you get out of bed this morning, finding yourself grumpy and out of sorts with the world?

Have you recently wanted to say something nice about a person, but didn't know who to tell?

Problems? Complaints? Suggestions? Comments?

Well, cheer up because there's a place which is open 24 hours a day, every day of the year where



Photo of the Week

F.L. Terry of Installation Club Management won Photo of the Week honors for this shot of an insect on a plant. His photo now goes on to face other

you can be heard. It's the Presidio's Action Line, located in the Star Presidian office.

All you need to do is pick up the phone and dial 561-LINE. Your message will be recorded and a reporter will be assigned to followup as necessary.

Action Line calls will, when appropriate, be published in the weekly newspaper with answers.

So, don't let yourself go speechless, contact the Presidio Action Line. Dial 561-LINE.

Football coming

The 1981 post flag football league will begin play on Sept. 21. Units and activities interested in participating must submit a letter of entry to the Sports Branch, by Sept. 11. For further information contact Jim Ragasa at ext. 5032.

More softball

The 1981 Indian Summer Slow Pitch Softball competition will commence Sept. 28. Units desiring to enter a team are requested to submit their entry to the Sports Branch by Sept. 18. A rules interpretation meeting will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. on Sept. 23 at post gym no. 1. Units and activities entering a team must have a team representative at this meeting.

Volunteers needed

Letterman Army Medical Center's annual health fair is set to open Oct. 22. It will run through the 23rd and be combined with the Presidio's "All-American Week" activities.

weekly winners in a quarterly competition. If you would like to enter your photograph, drop it by our newsroom in bldg. 37, room 214.

Contact Lt. Col. Mary DeWan at the Preventative Medicine Office by calling ext. 2003 during normal duty hours.

New barber hours

New hours for the unisex hair styling shop on post have been announced by hair stylist Charles George.

According to George, business has increased creating a need to be open on Fridays. George says his normal Monday through Thursday hours of 7:40 a.m. to 4:20 p.m. remain the same within the extra hours on Fridays being 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Hair styling is by appointment only, says George. Appointments can be made by calling ext. 4441.

Class planned

The Sports Branch will offer dance exercise class starting Monday if at least 10 persons sign up. The class will be held on Mondays 6:45-7:45 p.m. and on Thursdays 6-7 p.m. at gym no. 1. Cost for the eight one-hour sessions is \$20. Call ext. 4120/5032 for more information.

Meeting moves to Monday

The Presidio Parent-Youth Club has announced that the monthly parent meeting previously held on the first Thursday of every month has been changed to the first Wednesday of every month. For more information contact Nancy Robertson at 386-3087.

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Post commissary to test new hours

Better service for soldiers the aim

The Presidio Commissary will change its hours on Thursdays as part of a five-week test beginning Sept. 17.

According to Arthur Wedel, Chairman of the commissary council, the store will open at 11:30 a.m. and close at 7:30 p.m. instead of its normal 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. hours.

Wedel explains that the test, which concludes Oct. 15, is designed to see if the change is popular enough to continue the later hours permanently.

He says that soldiers are the target of the later hours. With the change, the commissary hopes to accommodate those soldiers unable to shop because of conflicts with their military duties.

In a recent letter on the subject to the Western Field office of the Army Troop Support Agency which runs the commissaries, Col. Victor Fernandez, head of the Directorate for Industrial Operations stated, "Our objective is to better service the individual soldiers and their dependents and to make them aware that we are doing our utmost to continue to look out for their... interests."

The test came about as a result of a survey conducted at the end of July which showed that a majority of soldiers and their dependents favored the later hours.

In the survey, patrons were asked if they personally would shop during the new hours and if they favored the change.

More than 1500 shoppers responded to the survey. Nearly three-quarters of the responses came from retirees and their dependents who overwhelmingly favored keeping the present store hours.

Of the 385 active duty soldiers and dependents who took the survey, however, 51 percent of the soldiers and 60 percent of their dependents favored the change.

During the test days, Wedel says that commissary officials will be collecting hourly reports on the number of patrons and the amount of sales.



'Store Wars'

Darth Vader "greet" a young visitor to the Presidio Commissary during a visit to the store

Tuesday. Vader was on hand to greet shoppers and sign autographs as part of a product promotion.

photo by Tim Dewar

Parking tickets

Few drivers cited for violating new policy

Relatively few parking citations were issued by post MPs this week as the Presidio Provost Marshal's office began enforcing the new parking policy.

According to Sgt. Charles Barber, head of the Provost Marshal's Traffic Section, most drivers followed the policy which allows reserved spaces for key staff members, handicapped drivers and car and van poolers.

Barber says that the biggest offenders of the

policy continue to be those persons who illegally park handicapped spaces. He cautions that those spaces will get continued enforcement emphasis in the future.

The new policy took effect Aug. 1, but enforcement of the rules were delayed to allow crews time to paint new spaces.

Drivers who have reserved parking spaces must register their cars with the Headquarters Commandant's office or face traffic tickets.

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Ramblin' Sam

How do you feel about retirement ceremonies held here?



Sp4 Mitch Gibson, USAG

"I can take them or leave them. Most of the people who attend don't know the people anyway. It's just another detail for us here at USAG."

"Retirement ceremonies, extra duties and funerals are all done for the good of the Army but there should be some way to spread it out more so the same people don't end up doing it all of the time. Some people never have to do it."



Pvt. 2 Terry Proctor, Motor Pool



SFC Jesse Corley, DIO

"We provide a meaningful, important and necessary service to the installation. The retirement ceremony particularly is something that is customary and every individual who puts his time in the service deserves one."

After seeing one, they all look the same because I don't know the retirees. I think they deserve the recognition so it's a good thing."



Toni Morrison, Sixth Army

Commentary

'As the Soldier Swivels'

by K. Douglas Cook



Labor Day's coming next week and already I'm getting depressed.

Do you realize that, unlike the weekends, the television fare on weekdays is filled, packed, crammed to overflowing with a monstrous thing? Soap operas!

They're always the same, right down to a he and she villian, an unknowing husband, two jealous wives, six children born out of wedlock

and a distant cousin who is suffering from incurable athlete's foot.

Fade in scene one and action! Music sets the pace as John meets Mary in the lobby of her husband's office. Now Peter, the husband, doesn't know that John and Mary once conspired to give birth to Berford, who now is Peter's business partner. Michelle, John's wife and Peter's secretary, is, ahem, "seeing" Berford socially. Henry, the night security guard for Peter and Berford's company, believes he is Michelle's long lost brother from Sweden. John is secretly engaged to Henry while Mary longs to remove Berford's tonsils.

Now you have to understand that it's possible to

miss 173 episodes of any soap opera and still understand what's happening. Sixteen years later, John and Mary are still meeting in the lobby, although Henry died suddenly—it took 89 episodes of a strange disease he contracted while leaping to his death due to despondency over Michelle who has gone to Sweden for an unspecified medical procedure. She'll be back in 53 episodes.

Okay, since it appears these things have to be on the weekday television, why not make them interesting. Why not have a military-oriented show. How about "All My Troopers" or "Love of Doubletiming" or "The Guiding Roadguard" or even "As the Soldier Swivels"?

Fade in scene one and action! The music swells (the Army song, naturally) as 1st Sgt. John meets Capt. Mary in the company orderly room. Maj. Peter, Capt. Mary's husband and 1st Sgt. John's rater, is unaware that John and Mary once conspired to reenlist Cpl. Berford, Peter's company clerk. Sp4 Michelle, 1st Sgt. John's best squad leader, is actually CWO Smith who believes that he actually is 1st Sgt. John's long lost sister from Fort Rucker. Can it be that Maj. Peter is actually an Army doctor who, as a general, suffered a glancing blow from a nine iron and was never seen again.

Now that's a soap opera worth watching! Wonder if we'd have problems getting actors? Stay tuned for more of... whateveritis!

-Action Line

Dear Editor,

When I was reading about the Action Line in the newspaper it sounded like a wonderful thing. Then as I read more it seems like there is absolutely no privacy involved. If a person has a problem and they call up they have to furnish their name and phone number. I was wondering if this Action Line is a joke or if it is meant to be a helpful thing.

Joan Collins

Dear Mrs. Collins,

We were happy to get your call since it gives us a good opportunity to more fully explain how we handle Action Line complaints.

Although we do insist that individuals include their name and phone numbers when they call, that information is kept in strict confidence. The only purpose of providing the name is to allow us to verify the information ourselves and get additional information if we need to.

Once the call is transcribed, however, the name and phone number of the individual is deleted before we forward the complaint or question to the appropriate agency on post for an answer. The name is never sent forward even if the caller has no objection to his name being run in the paper.

While we would like to publish names with all complaints and comments, we do withhold names from final publication if the individual asks us to.

As to help that Action Line can offer, we would cite the one published last week as an example of where we were able to help. In that letter, a post resident wondered why no signs alerted drivers to the turn for the Golden Gate Bridge. After calling the potentially hazardous traffic situation to the attention of the Provost Marshal's office the MPs conducted a survey of the area and agreed that there was a need for such signs. They in turn recommended to the Facilities Engineers that the signs be installed.

The Editor

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New Sixth Army chief airs his views

Editor's note: Last month the Presidio welcomed Lt. Gen. David Grange Jr., as the new commander of Sixth Army.

The 56-year-old New York native came to his post after commanding the U. S. Army Infantry Center and Fort Benning, Ga. He began his career in 1943 as a private and has since risen through the ranks.

Lean and soft-spoken, Grange has seen battle as an enlisted man in World War II and as an officer in Korea and Vietnam. His many decorations show that he has been a participant in nearly 30 years of Army history. Moreover, a Ranger tab on his shoulder, a master parachutist badge, a combat infantryman's badge with two stars and training with the Special Forces are testimony to his experience.

Many stories are told about Grange by the soldiers who have served with and for him in battle and in peacetime. In all, these stories speak of a man who expects the best from himself and those around him.

Star Presidian: Is this your first assignment to the Presidio and what are your impressions thus far?

Grange: Well, this is my first actual assignment, but while I was commanding the Army Readiness and Mobilization Region VIII, I spent a great deal of time here, at least once per month. As for the post, I can't see how anyone wouldn't like this post, being cheek to jowl with San Francisco, perhaps the most beautiful city in this country.

Star Presidian: How would you rate today's soldier?

Grange: While I was at the Infantry Center at Fort Benning, we trained some 60 thousand soldiers, both active Army and reserve forces. There's no difference in the soldier of today and

the ones who have come before them. They all respond to the same things. They desire to be part of something worthwhile, to be proud of who they are and to be both mentally and physically strong. Any soldier wants to feel like there's someone who cares about them and what they do. No, there's no difference... today's soldier can do the job and compete successfully.

Star Presidian: The Army Reserve and National Guard forces are a great part of Sixth Army. How do you view their role and significance?

Grange: These people are the last great patriots of this country! I sometimes can't figure out why they do what they do. They attend their drills and annual training, but they also work extra hours in uniform, without pay. I know they have businesses and jobs which probably give them more money, but still they are there in uniform! I can't see the active Army ever going into war without the Army Reserves and National Guard. They offer the support and, for example, with the creation of the I Corps at Fort Lewis, the reserve forces are playing a vital part in getting this unit operationally ready. It's a sign of the times and the Army needs the men and women of the reserve forces.

Star Presidian: The subject of retention is often brought up these days. What are your views on the subject?

Grange: In my two previous assignments, both with the 2nd Infantry Division in Korea and at Fort Benning, I didn't see retention as a problem. At Benning, for example, we were always over 100 percent of our goals. Yes, I'm sure there are problems, but I haven't seen them! If you give a soldier something to be proud of, if a commander shows concern for the soldier, if the training is

"Any soldier wants to feel like there's someone who cares about them and what they do."

good, if these people can see themselves as achieving goals, being prepared, both mentally and physically... if the soldier of today sees the great opportunities that are within the Army, then retention isn't a problem.

Star Presidian: You've spent a good deal of your life soldiering. Does being a general officer put some obstacles between you and the soldiers?

Grange: Being a general doesn't cut you off from being with the soldiers. As a platoon leader or company commander, you meet soldiers, but as a division commander, I met a lot more. Whenever possible, I go to the field and eat in the dining facilities. I like to meet with the soldiers and hear what they have to say. I'll always do that.

Star Presidian: Can you sum up how you feel at this point as commander of Sixth Army?

Grange: The job I have now requires me to be on the road a great deal of time. I plan to emphasize the most important job we have and that's training. It's absolutely vital that every soldier and every civilian within the Army know not only his or her job, but also the job of the person next up in line from them. In the event of a mobilization, a national emergency, soldiers and civilians will have to be able to take over much more responsibility, very quickly. Let me also say that I want the young soldiers in the Sixth Army to know of the opportunities they have within the service. There's education, training and a chance to achieve. I began in the Army as a high school drop out. Through army training and education programs, I've gained an education. It's up to the unit leaders to encourage their people to go for it. If you're motivated, you can achieve whatever goals you set for yourself.



The Fall cleanup is coming soon.

Fall cleanup aimed at greening and cleaning the Presidio

Story by Bill Craig Photos by Jon Chelgren

Now is the time to start trimming, mowing and clearing out that unsightly trash from around your quarters—especially if you would like some help hauling it away.

Next weekend (Sept. 11-12) has been designated as the annual fall cleanup of the Presidio. Post officials have placed increased emphasis on the cleanup effort this year, which has resulted in the addition of several new services to be provided by various post agencies.

As in past years the first day of the cleanup will be devoted to work sites and public areas. On the second day the emphasis is on cleaning and beautification of family quarters areas. Family Housing manager, Nelly Bennetto announced on Monday that several projects have been initiated to assist residents in making their areas more pleasant to live in.

"We have ordered 250 pounds of grass seed, five tons of fertilizer and 100 cubic yards of topsoil which will be devoted solely to occupants of family housing," said Bennetto. She noted that she expects these items to be on hand before the end of next week.

The grass seed and fertilizer will be available at the Self Help Store located in Bldg. 250. The topsoil will be placed at various locations throughout the 1500 and 1700 areas and residents will be able to help themselves. If the materials do not arrive in time for the clean up activities, Bennetto intends to follow the same distribution plan as soon as it comes in.

Beginning this week engineer crews are being dispatched to trim ice plants and weeds from around sidewalks and retaining walls. Other crews will be trimming hazardous trees. Bennetto also added, "We have plenty of hoses, mowers and other gardening equipment available for temporary issue at our warehouse in Bldg. 1163."

This year quarters residents will also be receiving support from Presidio Army units in clearing away trash and debris from their homes. Each unit has been designated to a specific neighborhood and will provide personnel and trucks which will circulate throughout each area on Saturday to haul away refuse.



Increased emphasis on the cleanup this year will spruce up areas such as this Stilwell Drive playground.

Post Commander, Col F. Whitney Hall, Jr. urges post personnel to start early so that full advantage may be obtained from this unit support.

"This weekend is the time for people to get started so they can have everything ready when the trucks come around next week," he said.

Hall has visited several of the housing areas in the past few weeks and notes that "many residents have done an excellent job of maintaining the appearance of their quarters." He added however, that many others need a good deal of work.

Bennetto cautions those who live in areas which need erosion control to request assistance from Family Housing before doing any landscaping work. "We have recently commissioned a feasibility study on erosion and vegetation control. When the results come in, a determination will be made. Until this happens we will inspect these areas upon request and take action based on the availability of funds," she said.

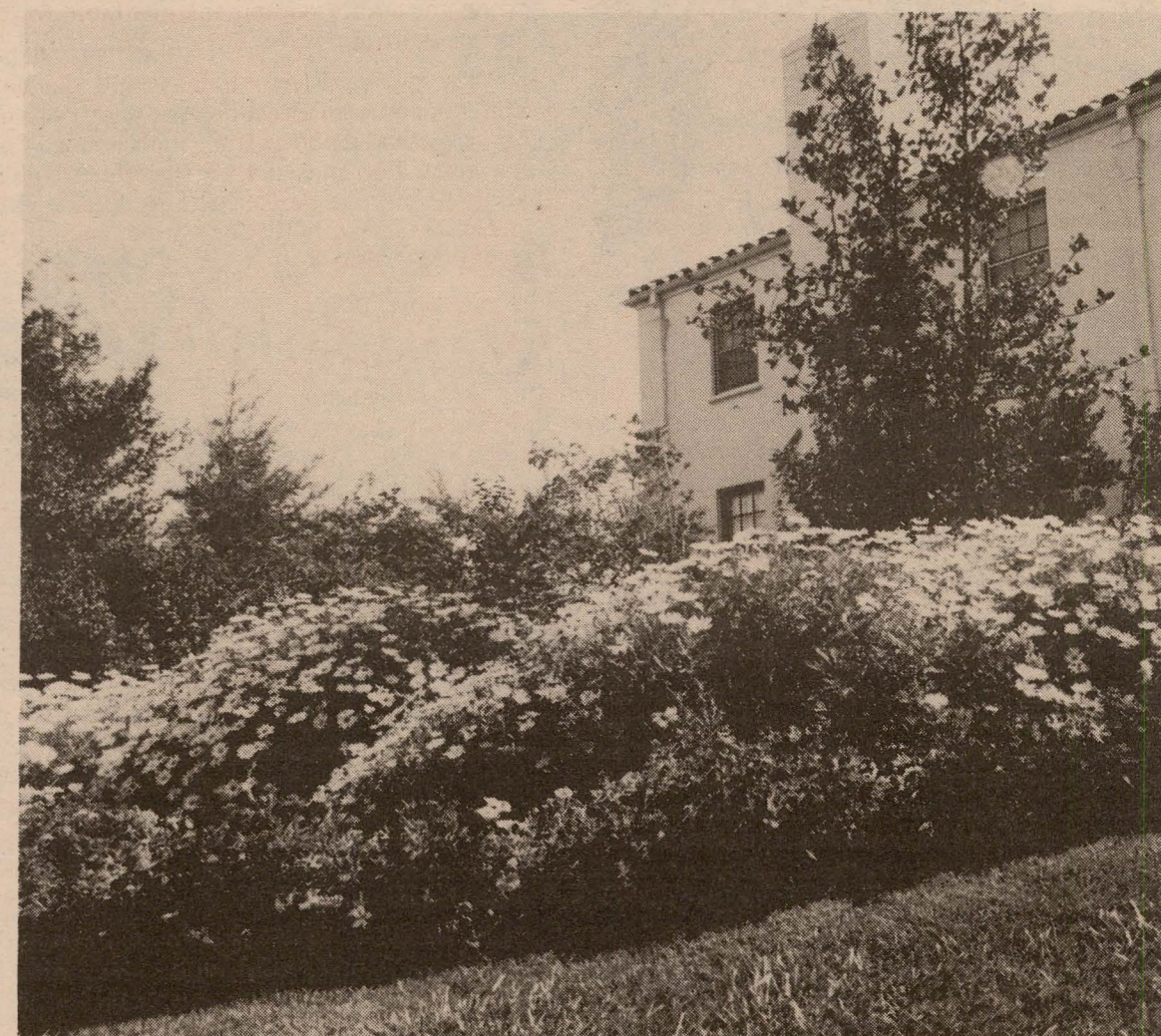
"Residents of the Pershing Area got another bit of good news on Wednesday when Bennetto announced the letting of the contract to paint all 461 units. She expects work to begin before the end of this month.



Common and individual areas will get a going-over.



Pershing quarters will be getting new paint soon.



Officials point to areas such as this as an example of what initiative can do.

Naturalist keeps Presidio forests healthy and growing

by K. Douglas Cook

In 1852, Capt. E.D. Townsend described the Presidio as "a bleak and windy situation, not desirable as a station." By the mid-1880's, however, some 60,000 trees had been planted and, as the tall stands in Marin County were cut to provide lumber for homes in San Francisco, the Presidio's groves began to flourish.

Today, our beautiful landscape and its survival is the responsibility of the Directorate of Facilities Engineering (DFE) and its Land Management Branch headed by Jim Eldridge.

"We have an incredible variety of trees on this post," says Eldridge. "Avacado, cedar, pine, redwood, willow, fir, palm, cypress, pepper... the list goes on and on. What's even

more interesting is that many of these groves date back to those first trees planted in the 1880's."

The Land Management Branch does more than just look after trees, however. Eldridge's crews also have responsibility to maintain the grounds, protect the wildlife and control the various pests which pop up every now and then.

"On any given day, we may be cutting trees, chasing after pesky raccoons, getting rid of termites, helping control rodents and cutting grassy areas not under commercial contract," says Eldridge. When the subject of trees is mentioned, however, he seems to light up the brightest.

"When I started here in 1972, I was planting trees which won't reach their full potential until I'm an old, retired person. That's the wonder and

benefit of this job. It's like being a part of history in a small way," he says.

Eldridge is quick to point out that managing the forests is a full-time, carefully-planned activity. Such things as tree trimming and cutting are done with the impact of the action in mind.

"As a rule of thumb," says Eldridge, "for every one tree we actually remove, we try to plant five new ones. If a tree is dying of old age, disease or storm damage, we remove the tree and locate a suitable place to plant the new trees, so the cycle is endless."

Eldridge can cope with the damage to a tree which is natural. When the damage is intentional through vandalism, he gets a bit angry.

"I can't imagine why anyone would want to intentionally destroy a tree or any useful plant. One destructive practice is called girdling, where the bark is stripped away around the entire circumference of the tree. In most cases, that tree has been killed," he explains.

Even when a tree is finally cut down, it is put to good use by Eldridge and his crew. Much of the tree is cut up to be used as firewood. The balance is ground up to become mulching material, a natural ground protection and fertilizing agent.

The next time you look out your office or quarter's window and see the lush stands of trees here, try to imagine a Presidio without them. Jim Eldridge and his co-workers are busy every day making sure that will never come to pass.

Sports

Sunday's race draws 2000 runners

Story and photos by Jon Chelgren

More than 2,000 runners converged on the parade field Sunday for the Presidio 10-mile race.

The race, started by the parade field, wound through Crissy Field and across the Golden Gate Bridge before heading back to the parade field.

The Presidio was represented by a number of strong finishers including

Jim Moore who was the top military runner with a 56:50 time. He placed 22nd overall.

Bob Darling who ran with the leaders much of the way came in ninth with a 53:50 showing.

Other top Presidio finishes were Ralph Cruickshank, 220th, in 1:03:00; Dan Tompkins, 224th, 1:03:00; and Linda Wettstein, 236th, 1:04:55.



The look of agony tells the tale.



Darling heads home for ninth place.



Moore relaxes with his trophy.

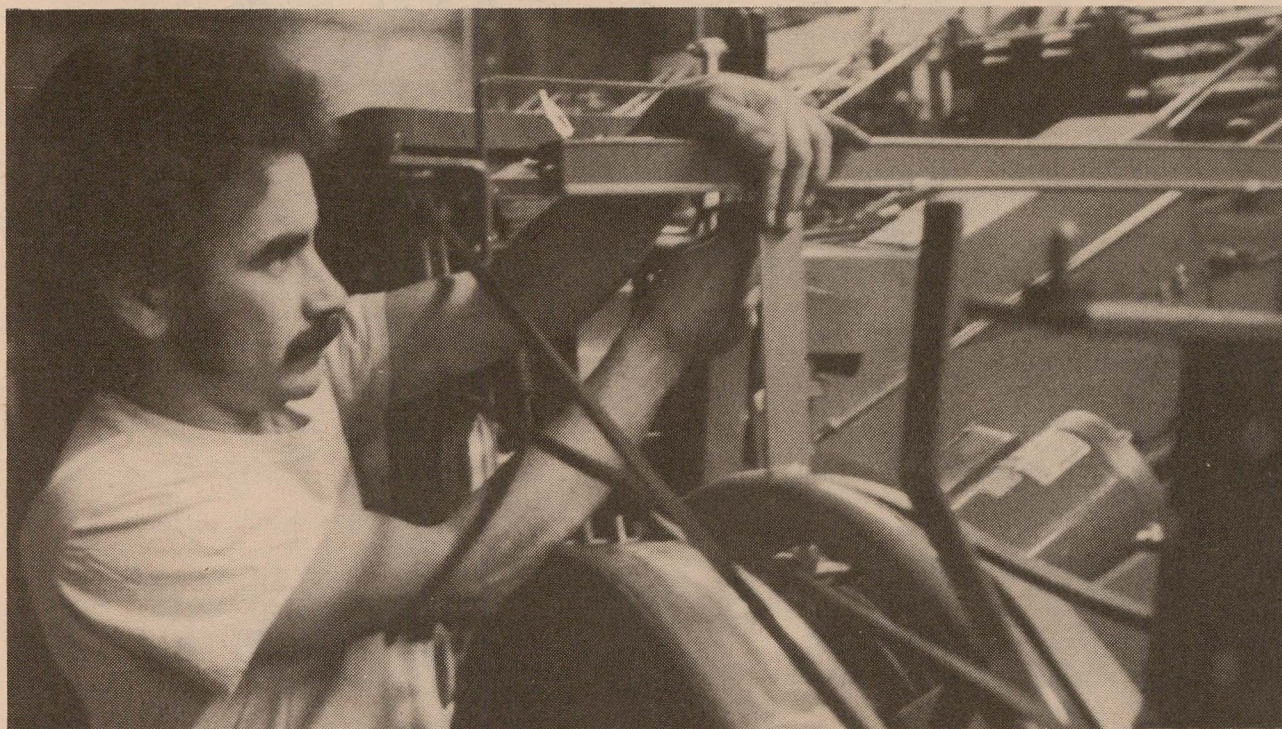


photo by Jon Chelgren

New machines installed

Jerry Vlibarri of Brunswick installs one of the new pinsetters at the Presidio Bowling Center. Accord-

ing to Mick Workman of the Morale Support Division, the new machine cost \$123,000.

Favorites dominate tourney

Pre-tournament favorites have advanced in all divisions as the 1981 Presidio Tennis Tournament heads into final round action.

In the Open Division, defending champion Nick Lapins proved unstoppable by overwhelming James Easterbrook,

6-0, 6-6. Lapins has yet to lose a single game in the tournament.

In the Senior's Division, another defending champion, Boris Stojic, reached the finals by blasting Joel Redmon, 6-2, 6-0, and Charles Hansen, 6-1, 6-4.

Hansen will get a chance to avenge his loss when he meets

Stojic in the finals. To get into that match from the losers bracket, Hansen had to pull out a three-set thriller against R. R. Hart, 7-6, 6-7, 6-2.

Pre-tourney favorite Gene Galvin slipped past Richard Odom, 4-6, 7-5, 6-3, to ease into the finals of the Junior Vet's Division in other action.

Jimmy the Freak

Pigskin forecaster returns



The Star Presidian once again presents its own "peerless pigskin prognosticator, Jimmy the Freak, and his picks of the week.

After a painstaking analysis of the NFL precision results, Jimmy spent the weekend with his ouija board and came up with the following forecast.

Minnesota 27, Tampa Bay 16

The Vikings will "pan the Bears."

Dallas 24, Washington 13

What the Cowboys do will be a capitol offense.

Chicago 20, Green Bay 13

The only "star" in Green Bay is a soon-to-be-out-of-work lead coach.

Atlanta 27, New Orleans 13

The Falcons will give the Saints the Bum's rush.

Philadelphia 30, New York Giants 10

The Giants have a pygmy offense.

Detroit 27, San Francisco 23

All of the 49'ers games will be close, but no cigar.

New England 28, Baltimore 24

A win for the team with the most talent, but least motivation.

Los Angeles 20, Houston 17

The Rams will win one for Anaheim.

Pittsburg 20, Kansas City 13

Bradshaw will be the Chief

culprit in this game.

Miami 34, St. Louis 27

Of all the coaches in the world, Don Shula is one of them.

Seattle 31, Cincinnati 28

This one too close to call.

San Diego 30, Cleveland 27

In close games, the State of Ohio goes 0 for 2.

New York Jets 26, Buffalo 20

(Upset of the Week) The Bills always have problems with the Jets.

Denver 20, Oakland 16

(Upset of the Week—Part II) Raiders will get bucked in Denver.

Jimmy's record for last season topped a 60 percent accuracy rate. His picks will appear as a regular feature throughout the season.

Sports Shorts

Post teams compete

The Presidio Women's softball team coached by Paul Turbo was declared co-runner-ups with Fort Ord in the 1981 FORSCOM Western Regional Softball Championship when the fields of Fort McCoy, Wisconsin was declared unplayable due to rain and extension of the tournament was not possible.

In advancing to the finals of the loser's bracket before the tournament was called, Presidio defeated Fort Irwin 3-2 and Fort Ord 6-5 before bowing to the champions, Fort Hood, 9-0. The Presidio Men's team was eliminated early in the tournament, losing to Alaska 8-2 and Fort Lewis, 11-5.

Basketball ahead

Try-outs for the 1981-82 post-level men and women's basketball teams will be conducted Sept. 14-25 at post gym No. 1, starting at 6 p.m. The teams will compete in the Northern California Armed Forces League which starts Nov. 7 with games being played on Saturdays at 1 p.m. Individuals interested in participating are urged to attend a meeting on Sept. 10 at post gym No. 1, at 5 p.m. Personnel interested in coaching are urged to contact Bobbie Gascon at the Sports Office, ext. 5032/4120.

Signups set

The 1981 DYA basketball program will be getting underway. Sign-ups for the 1981 DYA Basketball program will be held weekdays at the Fort Scott Gym from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. In addition to accompanying their children, parents are requested to bring copies of birth certificates, and a \$5.00 registration fee per child. The divisions are as follows:

Minor League—8-12 years old

Major League—13-16 years old

Junior League—17-18 years old

Those interested in coaching or officiating are requested to contact Karl Gaffney at exts. 5328/2070.

Soccer coming

The 1981 DYA soccer program will be sponsoring teams to participate in the upcoming pre-season Viking practice league which starts Sept. 12.

Sign-ups will be conducted at the Fort Scott gym from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., on weekdays. In addition to accompanying their children, parents are requested to bring copies of birth certificates, a small color picture and a \$7 registration fee, of which \$5 will go towards the NCYSA identification card.

Those interested in coaching, officiating or desiring further information are requested to contact Karl Gaffney at exts. 5328/2070.

News Notes



Photo of the Week

R. Scott Dewell took Photo of the Week honors with this shot of the Golden Gate Bridge from inside a battery above Baker Beach. His photo now goes on to

face other weekly winners in a quarterly competition. If you have a photograph which you would like to enter, drop it by our newsroom in building 37.

Grand opening

The Presidio Parent Youth Club is holding an open ceremony to dedicate their new building on Sept. 12 at noon in Building 908, at Crissy Field. Refreshments will be served and interested parents will have an opportunity to tour the building. There will also be a table for new members to register. For more information please contact Nancy Robertson, president, 386-3087, or Joyce McKenzie, committee chairperson, at 561-2546.

Classes scheduled

The next GT Improvement and GED Preparation classes will be held Sept. 9 through Nov. 13, Monday through Friday, 11:45 a.m. for military personnel and adult dependents 18 years and older. There is no fee. To enroll, call the Education Center at Fort Scott, ext. 2974/4445.

Secretarial Skills Classes will be offered Sept. 9 through Oct. 23 at the Fort Scott Education Center, bldg. 1216. The following classes will be offered:

Military Correspondence, 7:30-8:30 a.m., Tuesday through Friday.

Shorthand I, 8:30-9:30 a.m., Tuesday through Friday.

Typing I and Typing II, 9:30-11:30 a.m., Tuesday through Thursday, 9:30-10:30 a.m., Friday only.

These classes are free of charge and are open to military, civilian and adult dependents. For more information or to enroll, please call ext. 2974/4445.

Tryouts coming

Tryouts for "Death of a Salesman" will be held Sept. 14 and 15 at the Presidio Playhouse. Arthur Miller's classic American drama, winner of the Pulitzer Prize and the Drama Critics Circle Award, calls for a cast of eight men and five women. Auditions are open to everyone, and those interested should call ext. 3992 for a specific appointment time on one of the above dates. Tryouts will be held from 7-10:30 p.m. each evening. Backstage technical positions are also open in all phases of theatrical production. Rehearsals are conducted after normal duty hours and on weekends.

Lab closed

The photography lab at the Post Arts and Crafts shop, bldg. 122 will close immediately until further notice. The lab will reopen as soon as instructor position has been filled.

Masters class set

Golden Gate University is offering a course in the master degree program in health services management. Financial Management in Health Care Facilities, a three semester hour course, will be held 6:30-9 p.m. Sept. 9-Dec. 16 in LAIR, room AS 3101. For more information call ext. 2974/4445.

Meeting announced

On Sept. 10 the Presidio Officers' Wives Club and Letterman Officers' Wives Club will hold a combined activities coffee from 10 a.m. to noon at the Officers' Club.

Parking refunds

Many Presidians who paid money for parking on post have still not made it over to the headquarters commandant's office.

Although a final decision has yet to be made, the paperwork required to process any potential parking fee refund is available. All it requires is a trip to building 36.

If you qualify for a potential refund, contact the commandant's office at ext. 2852 during normal duty hours.

At the movies

Presidio Theater

Sept. 3	Private Benjamin (R)
Sept. 4	Private Benjamin (R)
Sept. 5	Benji (G)
Sept. 5	Airplane (PG)
Sept. 6	The Cannonball Run (PG)
Sept. 7	The Cannonball Run (PG)
Sept. 8	A Change of Seasons (R)
Sept. 9	Alligator (R)
Sept. 10	Stir Crazy (R)

Schwartz Theater

Sept. 3	Clash of the Titans (PG)	7 p.m.
Sept. 4	Penitentiary (R)	7 p.m.
Sept. 7	Private Benjamin (R)	7 p.m.
Sept. 8	Airplane (PG)	7 p.m.
Sept. 9	The Cannonball Run (PG)	7 p.m.
Sept. 10	A Change of Seasons (R)	7 p.m.

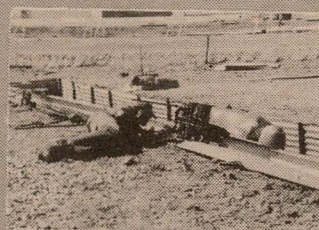
"Stir Crazy" is the story of two hapless innocents who are framed for a bank robbery, imprisoned and coerced into starring in a wacky prison rodeo.

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Army update

Office closed

The Personal Property Shipping Sub-Office, located in the basement of Building 39, will be closed each Friday until further notice due to personnel shortages. Soldiers desiring service on Friday may contact the Naval Supply Center, Personnel Property Shipping Office in Oakland. They may be reached at 466-5461/5462 or on Autovon 863-5461/5462.

New EERs coming

Changes in the way the Army rates its non-commissioned officers (NCO's) take effect October 1, according to officials of the military personnel center (MILPERCEN).

The regulations governing the enlisted evaluation reporting system EERPS has been consolidated to govern members of the active Army, a Army National Guard and the Army Reserve.

A simpler and easier-to-read evaluation form is now being distributed to replace the current senior enlisted evaluation report (SEER) used to rate soldiers.

For the new form, the mark-sense blocks have been removed from the format. Also, the contents have been reorganized to give a better picture of a rated soldier's duty performance, professional development and potential. The narrative blocks are longer to encourage complete duty descriptions, specific comments on performance and more detailed recommendations on schooling, assignments and leadership potential. (ARNEWS)

Cheap rates extended

The 50 percent airline fare discount for active duty soldiers traveling on leave or pass has been extended by Trans World Airlines (TWA). The discount, due to expire the end of September, is now effective until March 30, 1982.

TWA was the first airline to offer the 50 percent discount when the program began last year. There are currently 21 airlines offering the lower rate to soldiers. The Military Traffic Management Command (MTMC) sent letters to the other participating airlines asking them to extend their discount fare offer as well. (ARNEWS)

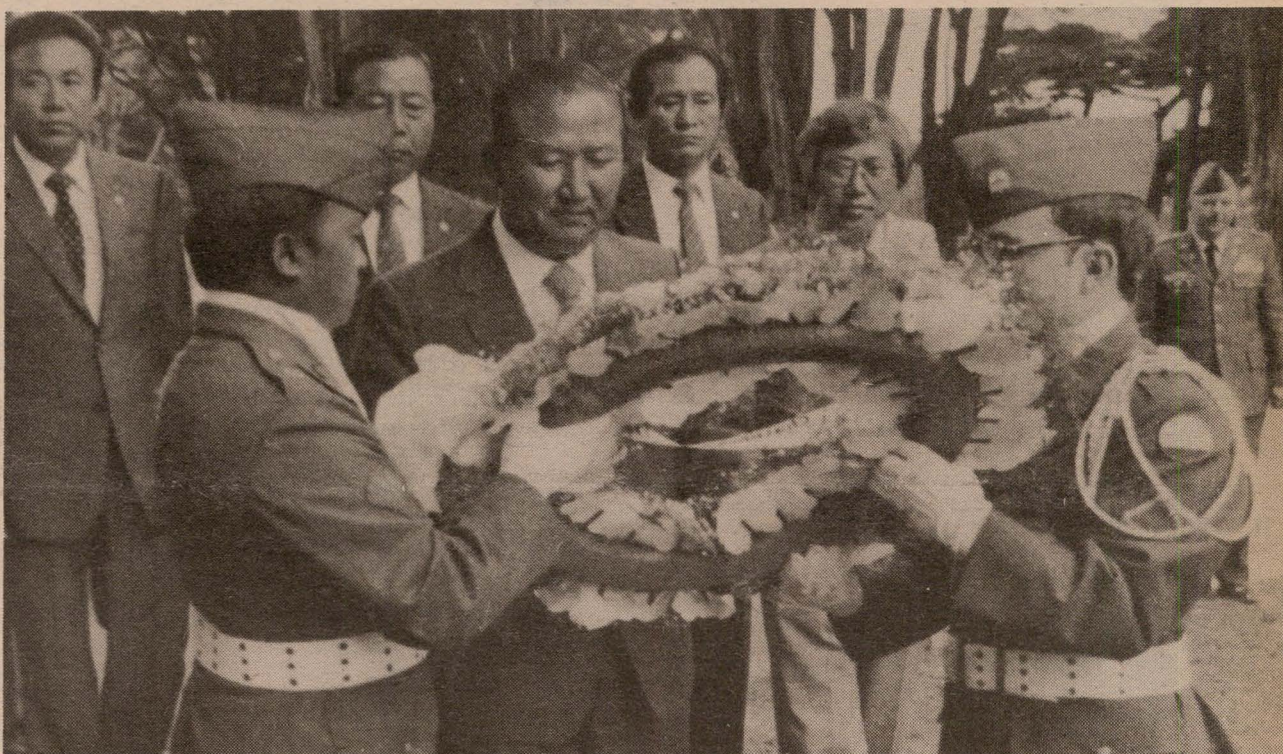


photo by Bill Malkiel

In memoriam

Members of the Republic of Korea National Assembly participate in a wreath laying ceremony at the grave of Maj. Gen. William Deane at the San Francisco National Cemetery. A former deputy com-

mander of Sixth Army, Deane earned the medal of Honor during the Korean War in action which resulted in his capture and internment as a prisoner of war.

Housing tomorrow

Post clean up begins

The 1981 Presidio Post Cleanup Campaign began this morning with personnel from various units on post working on the public areas and work sites.

Tomorrow the emphasis shifts to the beautification of family housing areas. Throughout the day, military vehicles will circulate through the quarters areas to assist residents in the removal of trash and debris. Each unit on post has been assigned to support a specific neighborhood.

Post officials have placed increased emphasis on the cleanup this year. To provide more support to quarters occupants, several new programs have been initiated to coincide with this year's campaign.

Several weeks ago Family Housing officials

ordered 250 pounds of grass seed, five tons of fertilizer and 100 cubic yards of top soil. As of yesterday morning, however, these items had not yet arrived.

A Family Housing spokesman reported that there was a good chance that the supplies would be received yesterday afternoon. Regardless of when they arrive, the grass seed and fertilizer will be available at the Self Help Store (Bldg. 250) and the top soil will be placed at central spots in the 1500 and 1700 areas.

Nelly Benetto, Family Housing manager, reminds occupants that no erosion control work should be performed without first checking with her office. She added that limited funds would be made available for erosion control projects which require immediate attention.

Opinion

Ramblin' Sam

How would you rate the quality of the exchange's food service outlets?



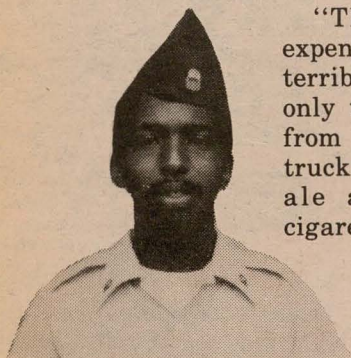
Sgt. William Archer, USAG

"I feel that the price the truck charges is too expensive for the quality of food it serves. I also think they should clean the truck more often because it is too dirty."

"It's crowded during the breakfast and lunch hours. If they could separate the grill line from the prepared food line, that might help the overcrowding problem. I think the food is good."

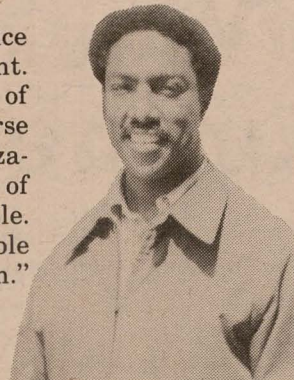


Sgt. Mario Quinones, Motor Pool



Sp4 Robert Collins, Finance

"I think the service and food is excellent. They have a variety of foods serving a diverse population. Patronization in this time of inflation is incredible. Prices are reasonable for the area we are in."



Lawrence H. Ferrell III, Family Housing

Commentary

The forgotten few

by K. Douglas Cook



Spent my Labor Day doing probably a lot of the same things you were doing. Most of all, trying to make three days seems like a whole week, but without much success.

I had occasion to drive by the Presidio and something occurred to me. Now, this may not be too significant to some of you who are involved in important things, but for others, what dawned on me may also have some meaning.

There are people on this grand old post who do some very important jobs and who, unfortunately, get very little recognition. Maybe what jogged my brain were the words of Lt. Gen. Grange in last week's edition. I recall him saying something about troops feeling that someone really cares about them and what they do.

There are those men and women who keep this post from being overrun with crime from day to day. The military police officers who work their shifts day and night, regardless of holidays and weekends.

And what about the medical technicians, nurses and doctors who are awake while most of us are

sleeping or off-duty. I guess we only think about them when we're sick or a loved one's life is in their hands.

Of course, there's the Sixth Army Band. Parades, performances, ceremonies and lots of travel. It sounds like fun until you do it for a year or so.

Maybe we forget about the firefighters who are at the station house every day of the year. When we need them, we don't think about the time of day or if they're spending time with their families.

And the duty personnel who stand the guard posts, pull charge of quarters and a variety of other positions while we take a break from the daily routine.

It's easy to be a critic of people and events. As long as we're protected from harm and in good health, without having to stick our own necks out or inconvenience ourselves, everything is just dandy.

Maybe, however, it would be nice every once in a while to thank those people who do the jobs which go on from day to day regardless.

Of course, this is only one opinion from one person and may not count for much. But, for the record and for all of you who do the jobs on and around the Presidio without much fanfare... thanks.

We couldn't find a taker

Dear Readers,

We received several calls from persons alerting us to the fact that there was a dead seagull on top of building 1164. The bird, they complained, had been sitting there for several weeks and was beginning to decay. The callers also claimed that numerous telephone calls to a variety of post agencies to get the bird removed met with no success.

Based upon those calls, we attempted to get some action on the complaint. We called the office of the Directorate of Facilities Engineers and were referred to the Provost Marshal's Office. The PMO, however, claimed it wasn't their responsibility.

A subsequent call to the office of the Director of Veterinary Activities also produced no action.

Just who is responsible for the disposal of the bird is unknown, but as one caller pointed out, the matter could easily be corrected with a step ladder, a trash bag and a pair of gloves.

The Editor

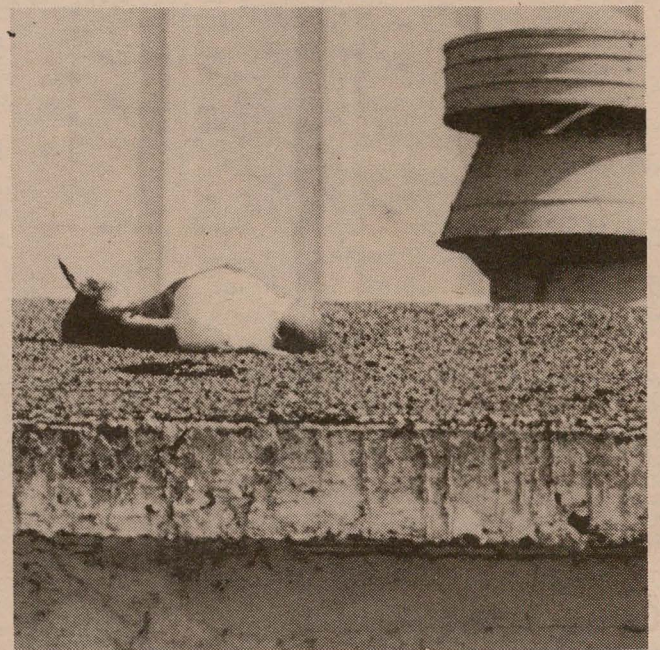


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Brawl at club ends in arrest, injuries

One man was arrested and several persons were treated for injuries after a fight erupted early Wednesday morning at the Presidio NCO and Enlisted Club.

Post Military Police (MP) were called to the club at 12:30 a.m. Wednesday to investigate a report of a fight which apparently had started inside the club, according to Provost Marshal's operations officer, 1st Lt.

Rodney Victorine.

The fight started as an argument and reportedly involved a retired sergeant major, a reserve specialist five, and other club customers and employees. The pair were evicted from the club by witnesses, some of whom were injured while trying to stop the fight.

Once outside, the feud continued

when the sergeant major allegedly smashed the windows of the specialist's automobile.

In retaliation, the specialist allegedly smashed the windows of the sergeant major's car.

Some of the witnesses to the incident were taken to Letterman Army Medical Center where they were treated and released.

The sergeant major refused medical treatment for minor injuries and the specialist reported no injuries.

The sergeant major was taken into custody by the MPs, but released soon afterwards.

The Sixth Region CID is continuing their investigation into the incident.

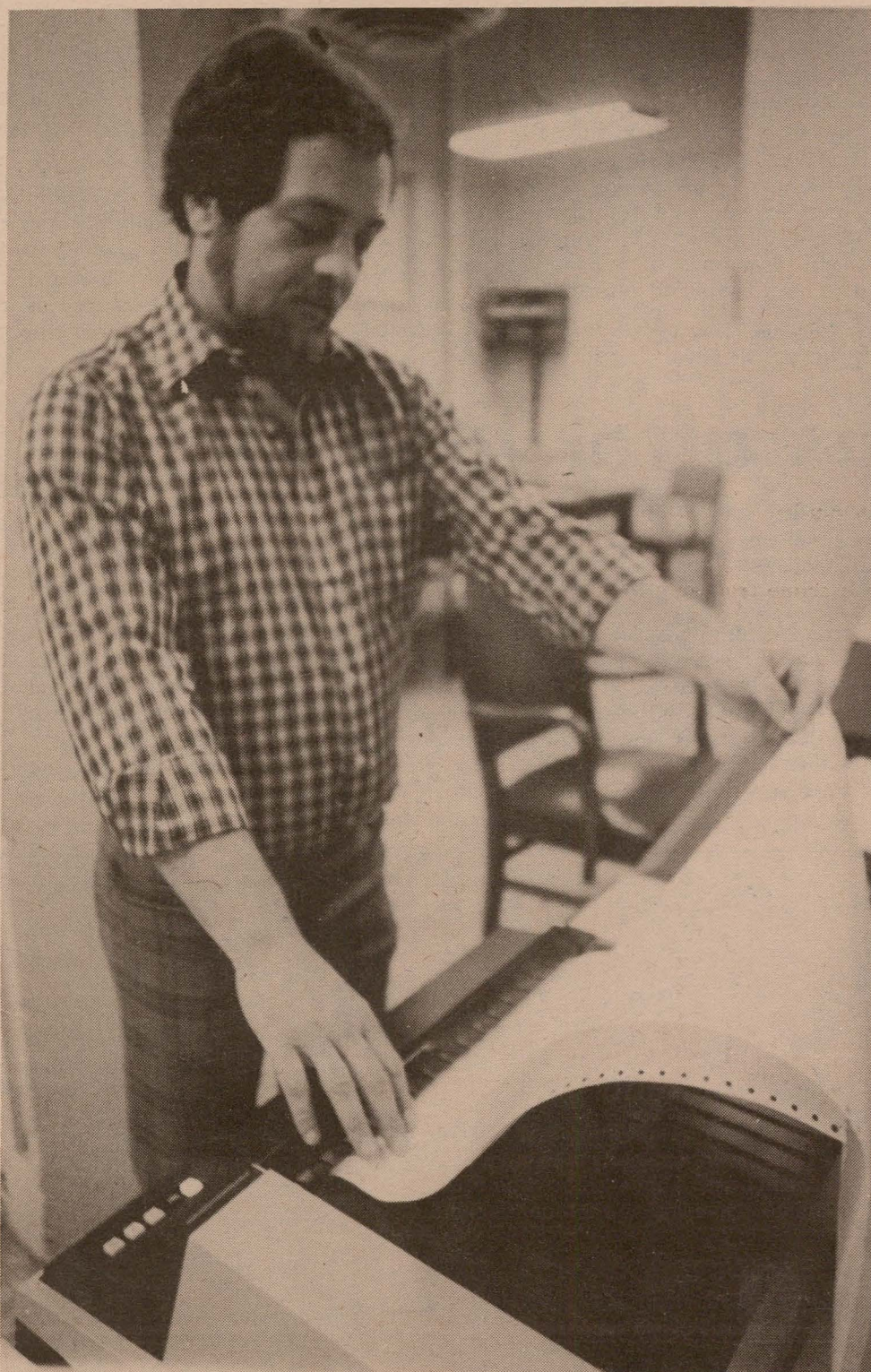


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Checking it out

Jim Payton of the Directorate for Communications and Electronics runs a check on the new Least Cost Routing (LCR) computer telephone system. The equipment, which was installed last week, finds the cheapest method for sending long distance calls off-post and is expected to result in significant savings. The system will take effect Sept. 25. In addition to the savings, the system will also ease communication officials' task for catching telephone abusers by providing more detailed daily reports on off post toll calls. A five-digit personal identification code will be issued to each telephone user before the system debuts. The code will allow officials to pinpoint who is making what calls.

Little effect

Gas pipe breaks by post laundry

A two inch pipe carrying natural gas ruptured last week as workers from the Facilities Engineers were digging with heavy equipment near the post quartermaster laundry.

According to Col. Victor Fernandez, the chief of the Directorate of Industrial Operations, the break occurred shortly after 10 a.m., Sept 2, as the workers were digging a trench with a backhoe. When the plastic pipe burst they immediately shut off the flow of natural gas.

By 11 a.m. a crew from the Pacific Gas and Electric Company arrived on the scene and spent three hours replacing the damaged pipe.

Emily Rankin, an industrial hygienist from Letterman, was called to the scene to check for possible

health hazards from the natural gas escaping. She says that the break posed no major health hazards.

"There was really no health hazard involved," she explains, "since it was outdoors and the gas dissipated very quickly."

As a precautionary measure, however, Fernandez sent the 31 workers in the nearby laundry facility in building 1047 home for the day.

One official noted that the gas lines on post are low pressure which served to minimize the danger of the escaping natural gas.

Even though the pipe was near the post power plant in building 1040, it was not connected to it and, therefore, did not affect the plant's operation.

Hispanic Week

Luncheon highlights observance

An Hispanic cultural luncheon will highlight Presidio activities as the post observes Hispanic Heritage Week beginning Monday.

The luncheon is sponsored by the Presidio Equal Employment Opportunity Office and will be held Sept. 17 from 11:30 to 1 p.m. at a local restaurant, according to Maj. Robert McKenzie, chief of the Human Resource Management Division.

McKenzie urges those wanting to attend the luncheon to contact ext. 3701/5730 for reservations as attendance is limited to 40 persons.

Hispanic Heritage Week is an annual event which is designed to

promote appreciation and awareness of Hispanic culture.

The theme for this year's observance is "Hispanic Americans: A Heritage of Valor."

Hispanic culture will also be highlighted next month when the post holds its second "All-American Week." The activities then will focus on the contributions of a variety of cultures-Hispanics included—to America.

Last year the event offered a variety of information booths, displays, ethnic food, and music and dance performances.

Reservists find big 'mess' at LAMC



Odle works on the short order line.

photo by Judith Hill

By Judith Hill

When two reservists reported to Letterman Army Medical Center for their annual training recently, they soon found themselves in the biggest "mess" they had ever seen.

PFC Tara Odle and Sp4 James Chambers, both cooks with the 6235nd Army Hospital from Fort Ord, spent their two week's training in the Letterman dining facility.

The pair learned soon after their arrival that the task of serving 1500 persons a day was no "piece of cake." They cite, for instance, the daily preparation of salads as one eye-opener. To prepare the salads, Odle and Chambers needed to mix gallons of mayonaise, 15 heads of lettuce, 10 pounds of cabbage, three pounds of beets and vats of tomatoes.

The job they enjoyed the most, however, was working on the short

order line. Whether cooking hundreds of hamburgers and cheeseburgers or slicing mountains of meat, the pair agreed that the contact with their customers was the most enjoyable part of the job.

The LAMC dining facility is staffed by 100 civilian and military workers and requires nearly 65 people to work in the kitchen alone.

As a measure of its size, the facility has its own butcher shop, bake shop, vegetable preparation room, three walk-in refrigerator rooms, a freezer room and dish washing areas.

After their two weeks of training which ended last Friday, Odle and Chambers have returned to their home reserve unit with more experience and not a few memories. Among them, they say, is that the food was very good.

Maj. Gen. Freeman dies after long illness

Maj. Gen. Howard B. Freeman died Sunday after a prolonged illness.

Freeman had served as the Sixth Army area coordinator for employee support for the Guard and Reserves since last year and as special assistant to the commanding general of the California National Guard since 1979.

Born in Oshkash, Wisc., Freeman moved to San Francisco at the age of two.

He entered the field of journalism and worked at a number of publications until he joined the San Francisco Examiner staff in 1928.

Freeman joined the California National Guard at 19 in Merced, as a private. Later he learned to fly, and in 1945 joined the Civil Air Patrol as an information officer. Ultimately he advanced to the grade of colonel, and finally commanded the Pacific Region of the Civil Air Patrol from 1955 to 1963, when he resigned to reenter the California State Military Reserve.

He served on active duty at the Guard State Headquarters in Sacramento as a colonel from 1975 to March 1977. He was promoted to brigadier general on June 16, 1977, and major general on Dec. 15, 1979.

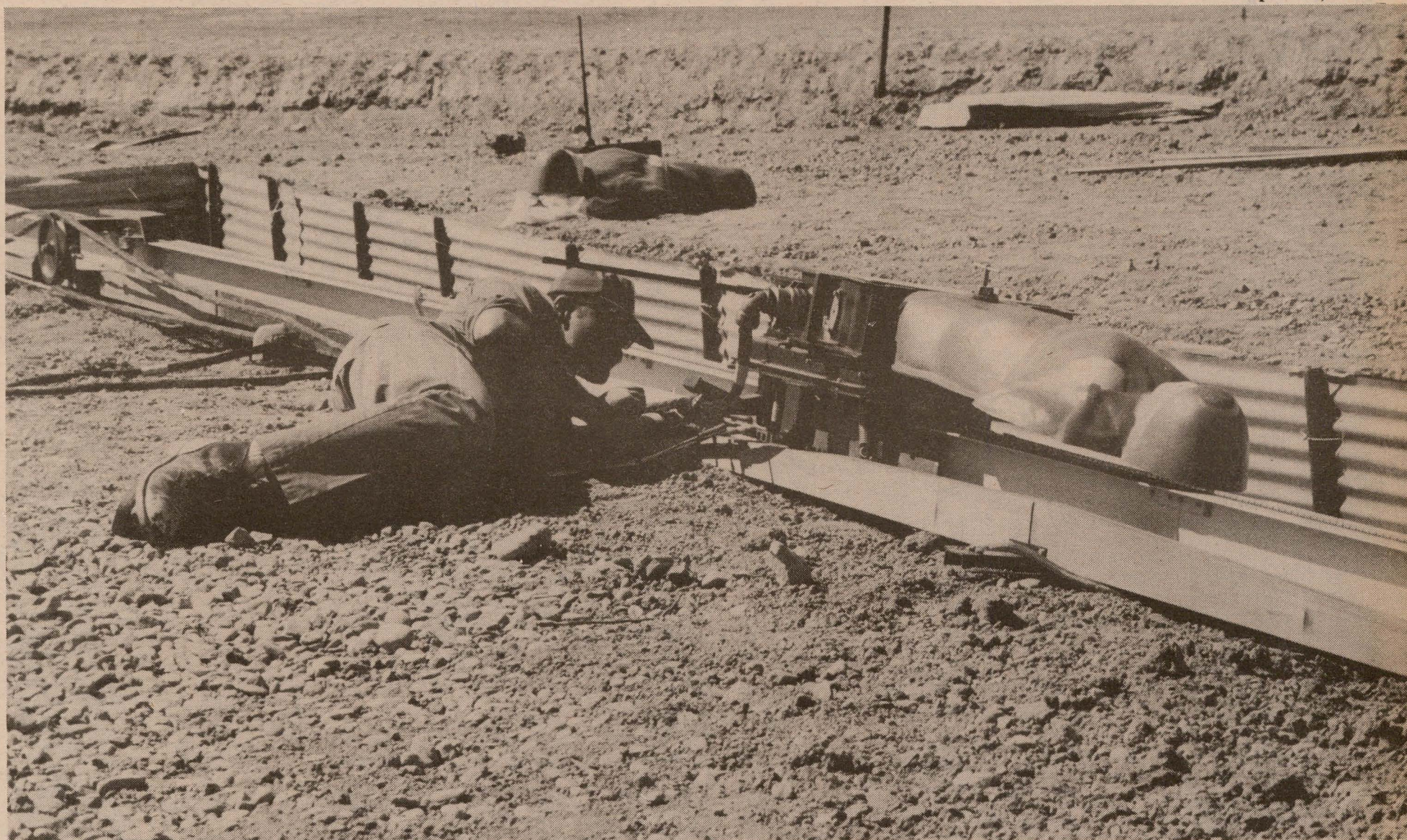
He was a rated command pilot and his decorations included the Distinguished Service Award with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Exceptional Service Award, the Air Search and Rescue Ribbon with four silver stars, the Leadership Ribbon, the Medal of Merit, First Class, with bronze clasp, and the Commendation Ribbon with pendant.

Women's lunch highlighted by Resnick address

Stephen Larzar of the Civilian Personnel office signals in sign language during a recent Federal Women's Week luncheon at the Presidio Officers' Club as Eleanor Castorena of the Equal Opportunity Office looks on. The luncheon was highlighted by an address by Rose Resnick, executive director of the California League for the Handicapped. The league is a Bay Area association devoted to independence for the blind and handicapped.



photo by Tony Rose



An engineer connects a pop up silhouette target designed to add realism to range firing.

Range almost ready

Photos by John Haberle

Construction of the new quarter of a million dollar Infantry Remoted Target System (IRETS) at Parks Reserve Forces Training Area is expected to be completed and ready for use soon.

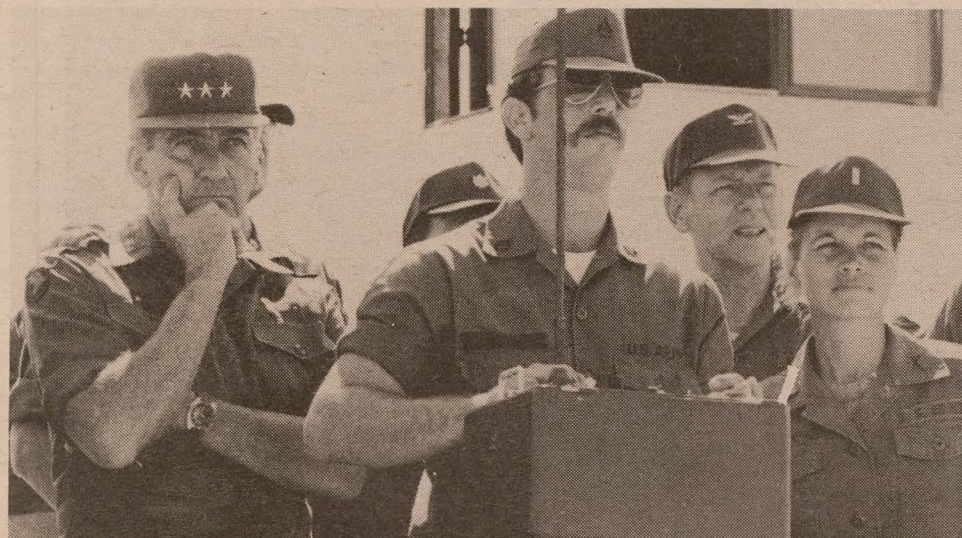
The IRET, one of only two of its kind, will provide reserve and active duty soldiers a state of the art range to qualify for M16A1 rifles.

The system is designed with targets ranging from 75 to 300 meters.

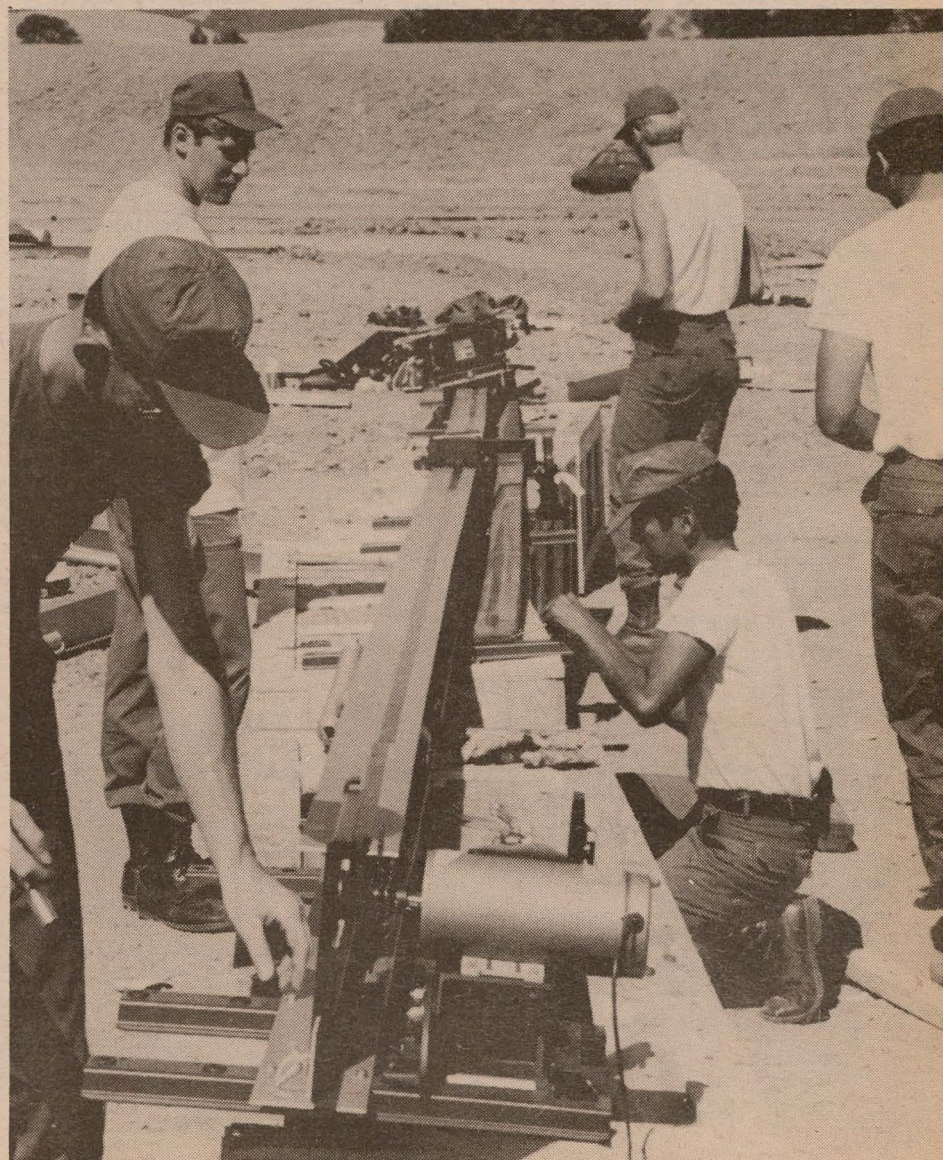
100 meter targets are positioned along rails which allows them to pop up at different positions along the range providing more life-like battle conditions.

The system is also unique since it allows instructors to review firer's scorers immediately after the firing takes place. Normal range computers usually take several days to receive the results.

The first groups of firers is expected to use the range sometime in October.



SSgt. John Armstrong demonstrates the system for Lt. Gen. David Grange, Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., and 1st Lt. Margaret Stephens.



Members of the 864th Engineers work on the rails.

Time to spare

Rec Center offers tours and tickets

San Francisco comedian, Billy Jaye, will host "Monday DJ Night" at 8 p.m. at the Recreation Center. Jaye performs regularly in the Bay Area and has been featured on television. Stop by and relax to your favorite sounds and enjoy a few laughs with Billy. Refreshments of beer, hotdogs, and popcorn will be served during this program.

A cake decorating class starts Oct. 7 at 7:30 p.m. The four weeks will be \$20. Class size is limited so please sign-up early.

Tickets and Tours—The Rec Center is offering a wide range of tickets and upcoming tours including:

Great America—\$8.50, regularly \$11.95.

Marinworld Africa USA—\$6.95 and \$4.75, regularly \$5.95 and \$3.75.

Lion Country Safari—(in Irvine, CA) \$4.25 and \$2.75, regularly \$5.95 and \$3.75.

Oakland Raiders tickets for all home games at \$17 and \$11.

Hearst Castle Tour, Sept. 26, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. for \$10.

Winery Tour, Oct. 17, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. for \$10 per person.

Sacramento Delta Cruise, Oct. 31, 8:15 a.m. to 8:45 p.m. for \$34.

For additional information concerning Recreation Center activities, please call ext. 2000. Ticket sales and distribution of discount coupons are available after 4 p.m.

Rec Center Regular Features—The Rec Center offers a variety of on-going classes and activities:

The Presidio Modern Square Dance Group meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7 p.m. at the Community Center.

A computer class meets on Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

Hank's Pool Instruction and the Presidio Chess Club meet on Thursdays at 7 p.m. at the Rec Center.

Italian Class—A free Italian 1B is being offered at the Marina Middle School from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Tuesdays Sept. 15 through Jan. 26. A rudimentary knowledge of conversational Italian is suggested for students. Call Joanne Tumminia at 921-2604 for more information.

Auto Craft—You can do it yourself at the Auto Shop, Bldg. 622. Change the oil or tires on your car. You can learn how to tune the engine of your car and make other minor repairs. The mechanics instruct and assist whenever needed. Shop is open Tuesday from 5-10 p.m., Wednesday through Friday, 2-11 p.m., and Sat. 9-4 p.m.

Pair face Army competition

Two Presidians are participating in the All-Army chess tournament being held at Fort Meade, Md., this week.

The pair Sp4 Stephen Martinez from LAMC and Col. Rufus Hart from Army Readiness Region Nine,

were selected to represent the Presidio after winning the Presidio Chess Tournament in June.

Martinez took first in the post level tournament with Hart placing second.



photo by Tim Dewar

Swing your partner

Bill Ragsdale and Jan Parreco dance during a meeting of the Presidio modern square dance club at the Community Center. The group has started new classes this month and meets every Tuesday evening at 7 p.m. Persons interested in joining should contact Doug Saunders at 878-1089 or Faye Harrison at 752-5207.

At the movies

Presidio Theater

Sept. 11	Stir Crazy (R)	7 p.m.
Sept. 12	Swiss Family Robinson (G)/ Herbie Rides Again (G)	2 p.m.
Sept. 12	Swiss Family Robinson (G)/ Herbie Rides Again (G)	7 p.m.
Sept. 13	Cheech & Chong's Nice Dreams (R)	7 p.m.
Sept. 14	Cheech & Chong's Nice Dreams (R)	7 p.m.
Sept. 15	Dirty Tricks (PG)	7 p.m.
Sept. 16	Cheech & Chong's Next Movie (R)	7 p.m.
Sept. 17	The Four Seasons (PG)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Sept. 11	Alligator (R)	7 p.m.
Sept. 14	Stir Crazy (R)	7 p.m.
Sept. 15	Swiss Family Robinson (G)/ Herbie Rides Again (G)	7 p.m.
Sept. 16	Cheech & Chong's Nice Dreams (R)	7 p.m.
Sept. 17	Dirty Tricks (R)	7 p.m.

Presidio Preview

A television reporter (Kate Jackson) and a Harvard professor (Elliot Gould) become embroiled in a mysterious conspiracy in "Dirty Tricks," a romantic comedy thriller.

Sports

Jimmy the Freak

Give me a break, huh?



The Star Presidian proudly presents its own peerless pigskin prognosticator, Jimmy the Freak, with his NFL picks of the week.

Jimmy came in with an even .500

last week down from last year's 60 percent accuracy rate. When asked about his performance, Jimmy said, "Hey, Ted Williams averaged .406 one year and he still made the Hall of Fame. Give me a break, will ya?"

Jimmy has dusted off his crystal ball and comes up with the following forecast for this week's NFL action:

Pittsburg 27, Miami 20

After last week's fiasco, Joe Green won't be the only steeler that will be extra mean."

San Francisco 24, Chicago 17

A semi-upset in this one. The Chicago offense is "Bear-ly" passible.

Atlanta 30, Green Bay 13

An Atlanta-San Diego Super Bowl confrontation is very possible. What the Pack lacks is back in their attack.

Cleveland 34, Houston 31

Almost impossible to pick a winner in what should be a very high scoring game. The only difference may be the home field advantage.

Los Angeles 28, New Orleans 17

The Anaheim Rams should rebound this week. Looking at the Saints play proves that there is more than one "Bum" on the team.

Washington 27, New York Giants 16

Maybe the NFL players went on strike and only the Giants konw about it.

Kansas City 28, Tampa Bay 20

The Chiefs will surprise a lot of teams this year, since they have the best young defense in the entire league.

Cincinnati 31, New York Jets 21

President Reagan should de-

clare New York a football disaster area.

Denver 20, Seattle 13

The Broncos have the best defense in the entire league.

San Diego 37, Detroit 21

Right now, the Chargers are playing the best football in the NFL. The Lions will lose their pride in this one.

Dallas 27, St. Louis 17

Any hope the Cardinals had was lost when they lost their first string quarterback to injury.

Oakland 28, Minnesota 24

The only hope that the Vikings have is for there to be an early season blizzard Monday morning.

New England 30, Philadelphia 24

UPSET OF THE WEEK—The Pats have too much talent to lose two weeks in a row.

Baltimore 31, Buffalo 24

UPSET OF THE WEEK, PART II—The Colts may have the best backfield in the league... when healthy. Look for a big game from Bert Jones.



photo by Tim Dewar

Close, but no cigar

Brig. Gen. Robert Young, Sixth Army chief of staff, winces as he misses his putt for par on the new number three green at the Presidio Army Golf Course Saturday morning. Young was part of the first group to use the new green which cost almost \$3,000.

Sports Shorts

Soccer coming

The 1981 DYA soccer program will be sponsoring teams to participate in the upcoming pre-season Viking practice league which starts Sept. 12.

Sign-ups will be conducted at the Fort Scott gym from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekdays. In addition to accompanying their children, parents are requested to bring copies of birth certificates, a small color picture and a \$7 registration fee, of which \$5 will go towards the NCYSA identification card.

Those interested in coaching, officiating or desiring further information are requested to contact Karl Gaffney at exts. 5328/2070.

Tennis tourney results

Two champions defended their titles and a pretournament favorite eased into the finals as the 1981 post tennis tournament nears its end.

In the Open Division, defending champion Nick Lapins blanked James Easterbrook 6-0, 6-0 to easily hold onto his title. Lapins has left for the All-Army trials in Virginia in a bid for selection

to the Army tennis team. Should he be successful, he will compete in the interservice tennis tournament scheduled for Sept. 21-25 at Little Creek, Va.

In the Senior's Division, another defending champion, Boris Stojic, grabbed top honors again by defeating Charles Hanson in a one-sided affair, 6-1, 6-3.

The only division still in competition is the Junior Vets Division where pre-tourney favorite Gene Galvin waits to face the winner of a semifinals match between Robert Ketchum and Dale Murray.

Football starts

The Intramural flag football competition begins Sept. 21. Units desiring to enter a team in the league must submit a letter of entry to the Sports Branch by Sept. 11. Jim Lineberger, instructional chairman of the Southern California Football Association and a member of the National Flag Football Rules Committee, will conduct a rules interpretation meeting at 1 p.m., Thursday at post gym No. 1. Units participating in the league must have a team representative at this meeting. For further information contact Jim Ragasa at ext. 5032/4120.

Signups set

Active duty personnel interested in playing or coaching the post soccer team are urged to contact Bobbie Gascon at ext. 4120/5032. The team will be playing against local soccer clubs in the area and compete in the FORSCOM soccer championship scheduled for late November or early December.

Unit or activities desiring to compete must submit a letter of entry to the Sports Branch by Sept. 18. A meeting will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Sept. 23 at post gym No. 1. For further information contact the Sports Branch, ext. 4120/5032.

Basketball ahead

Try-outs for the 1981-82 post-level men and women's basketball teams will be conducted Sept. 11 at post gym No. 2 starting at 4 p.m. The teams will compete in the Northern California Armed Forces League which starts Nov. 7 with games being played on Saturdays at 1 p.m. Individuals interested in participating are urged to attend a meeting on Sept. 10 at post gym No. 1, at 5 p.m. Personnel interested in coaching are urged to contact Bobbie Gascon at the Sports Office, xt. 5032/4120.

News Notes

Meeting set

The Peninsula Retired Officers' Wives Club will meet Sept. 23 for a fall fashion show luncheon at Moffett Officers' Club. Cocktails will be at noon, luncheon at 1 p.m. Fall fashions will be shown by Barbara Richmond of Los Altos Hills.

All active and retired officer's wives of all military branches of service are welcome. Hostess is Marian Read.

For reservations call Louise Hicks at 734-9557 or Kloy Skinner at 969-0604.

Contact named

Civilian and military personnel from Sixth Army who are interested in participating in "All American Week" activities are asked to contact SFC Dempsey D. Mitchell at ext. 3087. Volunteers are needed in order to make this event a successful celebration honoring all ethnic groups of men and women who have contributed to the development of our country.

Grand opening

The Presidio Parent Youth Club is holding an open ceremony to dedicate their new building on Sept. 12 at noon in Building 908, at Crissy Field. Refreshments will be served and interested parents will have an opportunity to tour the building. There will also be a table for new members to register. For more information please contact Nancy Robertson, president, 386-3087, or Joyce McKenzie, committee chairperson, at 561-2546.

New deputy here

Col. Constantine J. Blastos has assumed duties as the Presidio deputy commander.

Blastos, a 51-year-old Keene, N. H. native, succeeds Col. Desmond Dewey in that post.

A graduate of the U. S. Military Academy at West Point, Blastos comes to the Presidio after four years service as the chief of the Army section for the Joint U. S. Military Assistance Group—Korea.

Tryouts coming

Tryouts for "Death of a Salesman" will be held Sept. 14 and 15 at the Presidio Playhouse. Arthur Miller's classic American drama, winner of the Pulitzer Prize and the Drama Critics Circle Award, calls for a cast of eight men and five women. Auditions are open to everyone, and those interested should call ext. 3992 for a specific appointment time on one of the above dates. Tryouts will be held from 7-10:30 p.m. each evening. Backstage technical positions are also open in all phases of theatrical production. Rehearsals are conducted after normal duty hours and on weekends.

Parking refunds

Many Presidians who paid money for parking on post have still not made it over to the headquarters commandant's office.

Although a final decision has yet to be made, the paperwork required to process any potential parking fee refund is available. All it requires is a trip to building 36.

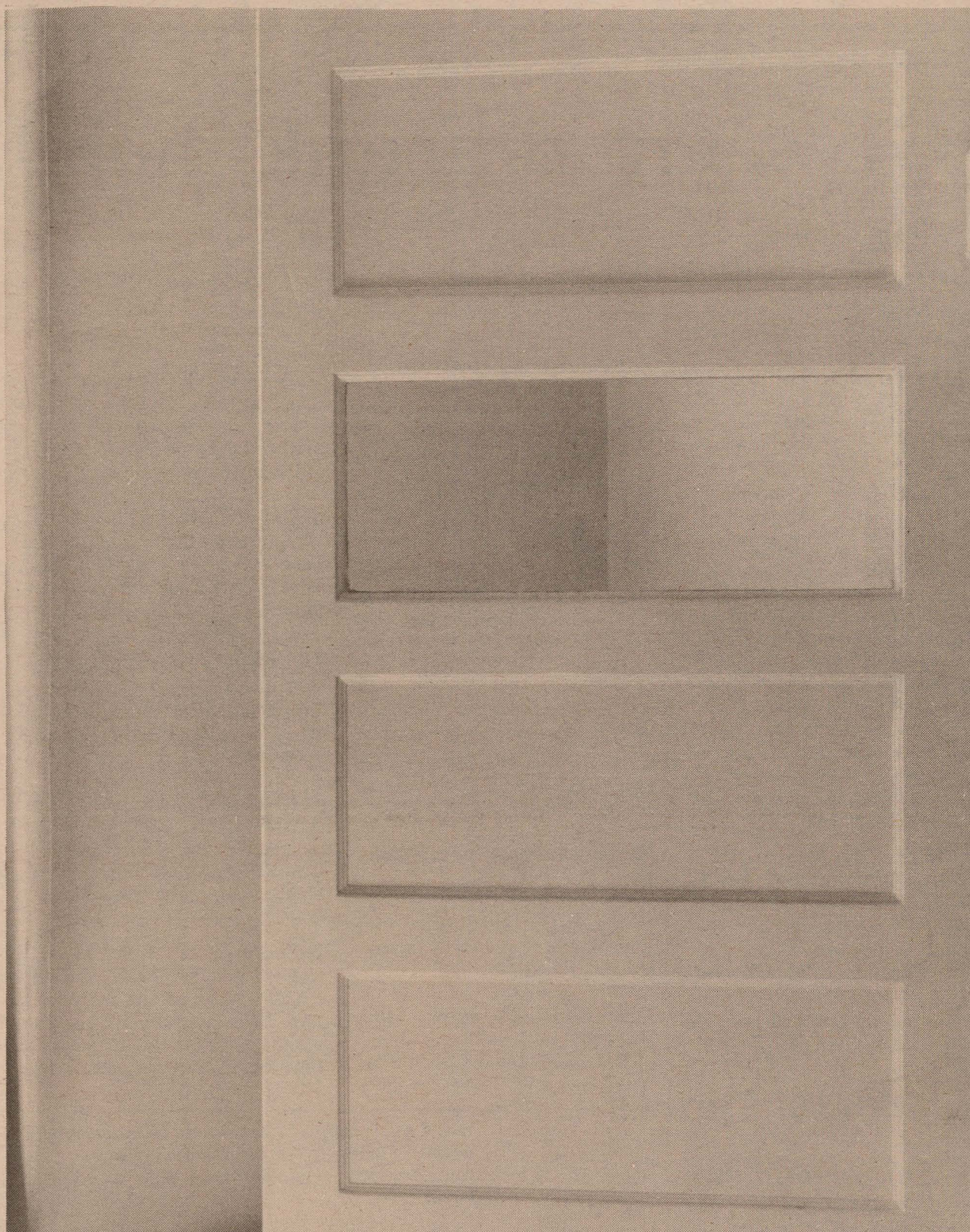


Photo of the Week

R. Scott Dewell won this week's Photo of the Week honors for this print entitled "Door and Window." Dewell's entry now goes on to face other

weekly winners in a quarterly competition. If you have a photograph which you would like to enter, drop it by our newsroom in building 37, room 214.

If you qualify for a potential refund, contact the commandant's office at ext. 2852 during normal duty hours.

Picnic scheduled

The Presidio Catholic community is planning a picnic at Stafford Lake Park in Marin County on Sept. 20. There will be a mass at noon with the picnic following. There is no charge and all are welcome to attend. Please call Doris Munstermann at ext. 3535 or Nancy Fruin at ext. 2613 by Sept. 10 for further information and reservations.

Lab closed

The photography lab at the Post Arts and Crafts shop, bldg. 122 will close immediately until further notice.

Class planned

The Red Cross will be conducting a multimedia standard first aid class and a cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) class this month.

The first aid class will be held Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. while the CPR class will be held Sept. 21 and 23 from 8:30 to 12:30 p.m. Call ext. 2187 for more information.

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photo by Tim Dewar

Clean sweep

RM1 Rufino Pontillas of the Pershing Park Housing Area wields a broom during Saturday's annual fall cleanup. Pontillas and other Presidians banded together in the two-day drive aimed at "greening" and cleaning the post. (More photos and story on page 5.)

Fund Drive

Presidians get 'care quotient' check up soon

Over the next two months, Presidians will be hearing a lot about their "care quotient." That's the amount of concern Presidians have for other people.

This year's Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) is gearing up to begin next month with Lt. Col. John Burke, chief of the Directorate for Reserve Components Support, once again acting as the head of the post campaign.

Last year the post contributed more than \$31,600 to the CFC, with some 42 percent of the post popula-

tion participating. When added to the contributions of the other commands located on the Presidio, the 1980 total was \$74,000.

Much of the money given in support of the CFC returns to the Presidio in the form of services provided by the American Red Cross, the United Services Organization and the scouting program for boys and girls, says one post official.

The people who make up the Army family have traditionally been known as willing to lend a hand when needed. CFC officials hope that this year will be no exception.

Presidians aid victim

A lunchtime multiple car collision on the Doyle Drive overpass behind building 1165 Friday, brought Presidians out in force to render assistance.

According to Assistant Presidio Fire Chief Eugene Day, emergency medical technicians (EMT) and a fire engine were dispatched to the accident at 11:56 a.m. Friday after a collision left a van overturned and a car up on the concrete embankment on the overpass leading to the Golden Gate Bridge.

While the firefighters minimized the chances of a fire, the EMTs

helped treat a 35-year-old man injured in the accident.

The sounds of the crash also brought Ed Rubenstein of the post Judge Advocate General's office to the accident scene.

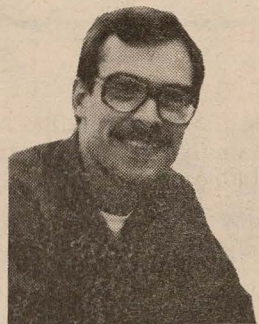
While he and others attempted to assist those involved, Rubenstein says that an unidentified Army colonel who said he was a doctor, helped treat the victim. The man was later transported to Letterman.

Day says that the details of the accident remain unclear. He points out that his department routinely responds to calls of this type because their close proximity to the bridge.

Opinion

Ramblin' Sam

What can be done to highlight
Hispanic contributions?



Sp4 Kent Marone, Compact

"I think we could have a festival and possibly invite others from the city to help share this moment of recognition. This would also enhance the relations with the community."



Sgt. Jimmy Ragland, 864th Engineers



SSgt. Favaa Tupuola, USAG

"There are still activities similar to a form of fiesta that can be held in recognition of Hispanic contributions to America. As for the Hispanics on post, involvements should increase not only by Hispanics but by all ethnic groups."



Sp5 Jose Perez, Compact

"It would be very interesting to run films at the theater in Spanish as a form of film festival. A fiesta of some sort would be nice. The NCO and Officers' Club would be a good place to have an ethnic festival."

Commentary

Cheap thrills available

by K. Douglas Cook



Been helping sort your responses to our current newspaper survey. Thanks, by the way, to all of you who are taking the time to respond.

One comment which is popping up a lot is about things to do in the City By The Bay. Apparently a number of you want to go exploring, but need a little assistance in beginning.

The first thing may well be to catch one of the buses stopping on the Presidio to the corners of Van Ness and California Streets. From there, catch a cable car (they aren't trolleys, by the way) down California to the end of the line, which is at the Hyatt Regency Hotel.

Get off and walk into the hotel. You can ride the elevator up to the revolving restaurant for free, but unless you've got an extra 10 bucks, I suggest you take the next elevator back down to the main floor of the lobby. Besides, in my opinion, the food's marginal, the service so so and the prices inflated.

Once on the main floor, after you stick your finger in the waterfall, walk out the exit opposite the one you entered and you'll find a large plaza area right across from the old Ferry Building. At one end is a large thing which spouts water and looks, for all the world, like air conditioning ducts which were left over from some construction.

That's a famous artistic statement...or so they say.

Just have a seat and watch the natives do their thing. This is worth about one hour and, if you're smart, you'll bring along a sack lunch and a canned soda. When you've finished eating, the killer pigeons will finish the leftovers and there are several street people who will thank you for the empty can.

Now, walk back over towards the cable car stop and you'll be looking up Market Street. Walk up Market about five blocks and find a place to sit. More people watching and I guarantee you'll be amazed at what you see in the heart of San Francisco's financial district!

At Montgomery Street, hang a right and head back to California Street. Of course, all along this route there are stores, shops and a number of sites. Browsing's free and fun, especially in this area.

At California Street, you can catch the cable car heading back up the hill (remember, water is north...hills are south, sorta). At Van Ness you're back at the end of the line and it's time to catch the bus home.

In all, you can spend six hours in the day time getting used to the city and the total cost is under 5 dollars. You've seen where San Francisco's heartbeat is kept and, if you have a camera, captured some memorable pictures for the album.

Try it. Next time I'll help you discover Marvey Marin. Oh, do let us know how you like the adventure.

A few ideas on saving money

Dear Readers,

Army officials in Washington receive lots of mail and recently, they have been getting letters about how to economize.

One such letter, from a Mr. Randy Cohen in New York City, offered some suggestions to get the program started:

"Buy on sale. Not everything has to be purchased on a particular day. There are always white sales, for example, in January. If the Army bought all its sheets then, it would save a bundle.

"Travel in the off-season—and this applies to invasions and local wars. Don't try to interfere in the internal affairs of Caribbean nations in the winter; the rates will kill you. Do it in the summer and get big price breaks.

"Don't buy at fancy department stores like Bloomingdales. They are, of course, very nice stores, but you pay big for all that niceness. Try the discount houses; they often have the store brands, not the national brand. I know this is true for beads; I'll bet it's true for grenades.

"Try doing what colleges do and get people to donate a lot of stuff or money to buy stuff. Colleges get people to give them entire gyms. One thing they do that helps is name the thing for the person who gave it to them and put up a plaque. You've got a lot of stencils in the Army and could do it that way—like the Wilson Memorial Tank, the Goldfarb Memorial Mess Hall, the Stefelli Memorial Jeep, that sort of thing. It would really make Americans feel involved, and it could be tax deductible." (Courtesy Army News Service)

The Editor

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Energy program meets mixed results

Post officials are meeting mixed results in their attempts to meet energy conservation goals according to figures compiled by the post Energy Conservation Council.

According to W.H. Prugh, deputy director of the Directorate for Industrial Operations and post energy conservation coordinator, the Presidio is below the overall goal of consumption of fuels. However, Prugh notes that the use of diesel fuels is already running 90 percent of the year's allocation through the third quarter of this fiscal year. He explains that to meet the objectives energy use should be running at 75 percent or less of the third quarter consumption ceilings.

In the area of utilities, Prugh says that the figures show that the post has already exceeded its yearly objective in the use of natural gas, electricity, and water. Through the

third quarter of this fiscal year, the use of both electricity and natural gas is more than 101 percent of the year's ceiling. The goal of the six percent reduction in the use of both gas and electricity compared with fiscal year 1978 figures is not being met, according to Prugh.

Compounding the increased consumption, Prugh points out the Presidio is paying much higher rates for both gas and electricity. He says, that gas prices charged to the post have more than doubled while electricity rates have soared 79.3 percent.

Coupled together the increased use and higher rates have resulted in the post paying more than a million dollars extra for natural gas and almost a million dollars more for electricity this year compared to fiscal year 1978.

Noting that it also takes energy to drive the post's water system, Prugh also points out the great increase in the use of water at the Presidio and its sub-posts. Although post officials had hoped for no increase in the use of water, Prugh's figures show that the post is using more than 144 percent more water this fiscal year than in 1978.

Prugh says that a number of factors are responsible for the increased utilities consumption. He says that administrative areas are using far greater numbers of electrical equipment such as typewriters, calculators and date stamp machines than they did in previous years.

He points out, though, that a great deal of energy is being wasted through personal neglect. He cites people who leave lights burning as

just one example of the kind of energy abusers who are unnecessarily costing the post additional utility charges.

A number of steps are being taken to help brighten the energy use picture. Prugh says that the project to add additional insulation to water heaters in post quarters should result in significant savings and says that ongoing efforts to monitor energy use and identify abusers should keep consumption in check.

The post is now planning an "Energy Conservation Awareness Week" designed to promote conservation for some time in November.

According to Prugh, one idea being discussed now is to have persons living on post participate in a "Walk to Work" day where they would be asked to leave their cars at home.

Ideas sought

Property loss high

Property accountability is getting increased attention here as part of a US Army Forces Command (FORSCOM) crackdown on loss of Army property.

In a recent letter on the subject, Col. Victor Fernandez, chief of the Directorate for Industrial Operations (DIO), noted that negligent acts of individuals cost the Army millions of dollars in lost property during the first half of this fiscal year.

"During the first two quarters of fiscal year 1981, FORSCOM lost \$5,705,193 in property due to negligent acts," Fernandez stated. "Of that loss \$3,488,853 was collected from personnel involved, leaving \$2,216,340 to be absorbed by the government."

"The liability rate ran 2/6.6 percent in the first quarter," he continued,

"and 47 percent in the second quarter."

In his post-wide letter the DIO Chief also pointed out that other property losses were absorbed by the Army and that the monetary losses had an impact on the service's ability to perform its mission.

"Throughout the same period," Fernandez explained, "the units within FORSCOM lost a total of \$24,012,079 in 'non-negligent' cases. These losses were also absorbed by the government and in some way effect the performance of his Army's mission."

Noting that "we must all work together to solve this costly problem," Fernandez closed his letter with an appeal for suggestions from anyone with ideas on how to increase property accountability and decrease property losses.

Pay hike awaits action

The Senate has unanimously approved a military pay increase package with hikes aimed at NCOs and officers, according to reports in the San Francisco Chronicle.

The Senate voted 81-0 for a \$4.5 billion pay increase which would use a sliding scale to determine the amount of each individual soldier's raise. Length of service and the rank would determine the amount of the raise which could range from seven to 22 percent under the Senate's plan,

the Chronicle said.

The Senate bill was sent to the House which is considering pay action this week. The Chronicle report suggested that the House is expected to approve its own across-the-board pay hike of 14.3 percent. The differences would then be worked out by a conference committee from the Senate and House.

Presidio soldiers would see the increase in their October paychecks once the actual raise is determined.



Grand opening

photo by Tim Dewar

Mark Harris and Kathy Robertson share some cake during Saturday's opening of the Presidio Parent-Youth Club at Crissy Field. The club opened permanent headquarters in building 908 giving youths here their first activities center in several years. At least one post official has credited the club and the variety of youth activities on post for the relatively quiet summer the post enjoyed in terms of youth crime and incidents. The club will offer post youths a place to gather on nights and weekends as well as serving as the focal point for Parent-Youth Club activities.

Hispanic contributions are many

The nation is now celebrating its final official bicentennial event, the siege of Yorktown. Historians give much credit to the French for helping the Americans to achieve their independence.

What many Americans do not know is that a significant contribution was also made by the Spanish. The following is an excerpt from a speech on Hispanic Heritage given by Mrs. Awilda Ramos, vice president of La Semana in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Several years ago we celebrated the bicentennial. Despite all the historical reportings, few Americans were aware that Spain also played an important role in the war for independence. In 1776, King Carlos of Spain granted a credit of one million pounds—a large sum at that time—to the American colonists.

It is interesting to note that the towns of Los Angeles, San Diego, San Francisco and others supported the American push for independence. Residents of these cities were taxed by the Spanish crown, the proceeds of which went to the continental congress to support its war efforts.

Later, as the morale and financial condition of the American Army became dangerously low, a French admiral, De Grasse, went to seek funds in Cuba. French historians say that the money was collected in five hours from the public treasury and



from private citizens of Havana. It was this money that helped finance the Battle of Yorktown, the decisive battle of the Revolutionary War.

In 1779, when Spain declared war on Great Britain, a large Spanish fleet chased the English Navy from

the Gulf of Mexico. Spanish troops based in New Orleans, commanded by Bernardo de Galvez, who was then governor of Louisiana, defeated British troops at Baton Rouge. With the help of his own soldiers as well as Cubans, Indians, and Black troops,

Galvez recaptured Mobile and Pensacola from the British.

Spanish troops at St. Louis beat off a British attack in 1780 and gained command of the Mississippi. In doing so, they frustrated a British plan to encircle the colonies. Later, because of the generous assistance that he gave to a group of English-Americans wanting to settle in Texas they named their city after him, Galveston.

Little has been done to commemorate the 4,000 Spanish soldiers who died as prisoners of war on English prison ships in New York, after being captured while fighting for American independence, this early dedication to the American cause has continued as Hispanics throughout our history have participated in the defense of America.

Hispanics have served with great distinction in World War I and II, the Korean War and Vietnam. During this last conflict, Hispanics comprised double the percentage of their civilian population among the fighting forces in Southeast Asia.

Hispanics have earned more congressional medals of honor than any other identifiable group in comparison to its population. The Hispanic commitment to this country is undeniable.

Little time left to use educational benefits

Time is running out for eligible Presidio soldiers and area veterans to use their GI Bill educational benefits, according to a Department of the Army news release.

About one-fifth of the 4.3 million eligible veterans will lose their eligibility for benefits this year, according to the Veterans Administration. The law permits a veteran to use the education benefits

within 10 years following discharge from service, or by Dec. 31, 1989, whichever is earlier.

When the first measure was signed by President Roosevelt June 22, 1944, through June 30, 1981, 18 million veterans received assistance under the GI Bill at a cost of \$51 billion. About 35 percent of all trainees have been Vietnam era veterans. This year the GI Bill will assist the education of more than 800,000 Viet-

nam era veterans, according to the Army news release.

More than 7.8 million World War II veterans were trained under the original measure, about one-half of all those eligible. Another 2.4 million, or 43.4 percent of those eligible, studied under the Korean plan, and nearly 7.8 million Vietnam era and post-Korean veterans and service personnel have thus far participated

in the current program. Some 65 percent of the Vietnam era veterans eligible have received training.

A new program, which requires financial participation by service personnel, is available for those who entered the military after Dec. 31, 1976.

Veterans who want more information on GI Bill eligibility should contact the VA Regional office.

Pair says farewell to Presidio

While he's been out pushing ceremonies, she's been at her desk pushing piles of paperwork. She's a military police officer while he's a tried and true infantry groundpounder! Just how much could they have in common?

If the "he" of this couple is SFC Fred Winters and the "she" is 1st Lt. Kimberlee Fall, they have a lot in common!

Fall and Winters if one approaches their last names logically are actually husband and wife. Both are saying farewell to the Presidio this week. They plan to rendezvous in Germany about nine months from now.

Winters, 35, from Tampa, Fla., was the operations sergeant for Directorate of Plans, Training and Security. He is headed to the Defense

Language Institute in Monterey, Calif., for training in the German language.

Fall, 25, of Mt. Vernon, Iowa, is being assigned to the Military Police Officers' Advanced Course at Fort McCellan, Ala. She was the Adjutant for the 504th Military Police Battalion.

Winters, once finished with the language training, will be assigned to Detachment A in Berlin. He might just show up as an officer when he arrives as he is submitting paperwork for a direct commission along the way.

And what has this couple been doing in their spare time while assigned to the Presidio? Fall just completed her masters of business administration and Winters has just received his bachelor of arts in criminal justice, both from Golden Gate University.

Cornwallis Surrenders!

Ye olde

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Special Edition

Presidio of San Francisco

October 19, 1781

Washington captures British Force of 7000



American and French forces advance on Yorktown.

French support vital to success at Yorktown

General George Washington with American and French Armies have captured the British Army of General Cornwallis at Yorktown.

Cornwallis had blundered into a trap from which he could not escape by falling back to Chesapeake Bay to await supplies and reinforcements. He did so assuming that Britain would continue to control the sea. This however, was not to be the case.

Admiral de Grasse, who was in command of the French fleet in the West Indies, told the Americans that he would join them in an assault on Cornwallis at Yorktown. Seizing this opportunity, Washington made a swift march of more than 300 miles to the Chesapeake from New York.

Accompanied by Rochambeau's French Army, he beset the British by land. After beating off the British fleet, de Grasse formed a naval blockade to prevent any attempt by the British to escape by sea.

Completely cornered and unable to withstand the combined might of Washington and Rochambeau's ground forces, Cornwallis was forced to surrender his entire command. The victory was no less French than American as all of the seapower and nearly half of the ground troops in the besieging army of 16,000 were French.

Reacting to news of the disaster, British Prime Minister Lord North cried, "Oh God! It's all over! It's all over!" But George III stubbornly announced that England was far from being crushed and that he intended to continue the struggle.

He added that he still has more than 32,000 soldiers in the United States to carry on the fight. General Washington has announced that he is returning to New York to keep a vigilant eye on 10,000 of those British troops.

YORKTOWN: Decisive Battle of the American Revolution

by Faith Faircloth

Yorktown, a small tobacco port on the York River in Virginia, was the scene for what has become known as the "final act" of the American Revolution.

The stage was set in May of 1781 when British General Cornwallis moved his army into Virginia from the Carolinas where they had left a path of destruction.

Although under the constant watch of a force of Continentals (America's regular army), Cornwallis' army of seasoned veterans posed too great a force in numbers to meet head on. Aside from minor skirmishes with the Americans, his force vented their hostilities in Virginia without major interruption.

Upon receiving orders from his superiors to establish a base on the coast of Virginia, Cornwallis and his army proceeded through the Tidewater region in search of a suitable site.

He decided on Yorktown because of the deep water York River and easy access to the Chesapeake Bay. He secured this site along with Gloucester Point on the opposite bank.

While Cornwallis' army was fortifying itself at Yorktown and Gloucester, General George Washington was in New York discussing strategies with the commander of the French allied land forces, Lieutenant General Comte de Rochambeau.

The two generals were discussing a possible attack against the British occupation in New York when word was received that the French Admiral de Grasse and his fleet would be in the Chesapeake Bay in late August.

For the first time in many months, a victory against the British looked possible. Washington and his subordinate, Rochambeau, quickly planned to move their combined American-French army to Yorktown.

With movements designed to make the British think they were preparing to attack New York, the American and French troops began making their way down the continent towards Virginia. A sufficient American force was left in New York to deceive the British.

When the leading columns of the American-French army reached head of Elk (Elkton), Maryland, there were not enough vessels to ferry all of the troops. Some of the troops were forced to continue on foot to Baltimore and Annapolis, where they obtained transport.

Boatload by boatload, they worked their way down the Chesapeake Bay and up the James River to join forces with the troops in Virginia at Williamsburg.

Admiral de Grasse and the French fleet arrived in the Chesapeake Bay on schedule, but left for the ocean to confront the British fleet sent from New York when Washington's plans were discovered. After five days of maneuvering at sea and a naval battle with the British, de Grasse returned to the Bay to find that the French fleet from Newport had arrived. The British followed de Grasse back to the Bay, but upon sighting the combined French fleet blocking its entrance, decided to return to New York. Cornwallis was virtually cut off from any support from the sea.



Lt. Gen. Count de Rochambeau

At Williamsburg, the combined armies were preparing for their march to Yorktown where Cornwallis was withdrawing his troops from their outer line of redoubts (protective earth barriers).

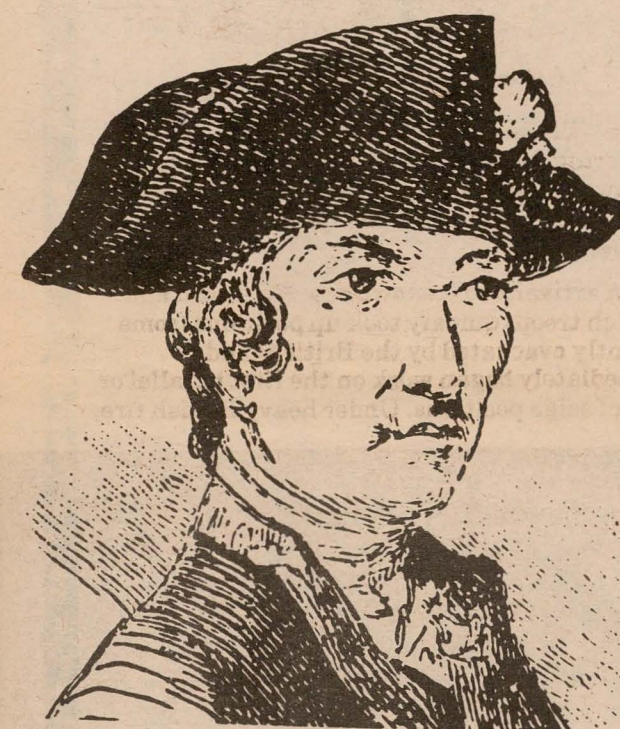
On arrival at Yorktown, the American and French troops quickly took up positions (some recently evacuated by the British) and immediately began work on the first parallel or line of siege positions. Under heavy British fire,

the men completed the first series of trenches. The American bombardment began and four days later British deserters brought word that many of their troops were ill and crowded together in close and uncomfortable quarters.

The completion of the second parallel was blocked by two key British redoubts. It was decided they would be taken by direct assault. **The surrender**

The British General Cornwallis had moved his army to the coast of Virginia and set up camp at Yorktown. General George Washington and his subordinate, French General Comte de Rochambeau, having received word of the French fleet's planned arrival in the Chesapeake Bay, had moved their combined army to Virginia and began the siege of Yorktown.

After four days of heavy bombardment, a direct assault was planned against two key British redoubts blocking the American advancement.



Admiral Count de Grasse—Tilly

On the night of October 14, a select group of Continental soldiers, under the command of Alexander Hamilton, made a surprise attack on the first of the two redoubts. With bayonets fixed on unloaded muskets* and savage hand-to-hand combat, they secured redoubt no. 10. A simultaneous attack was made on redoubt No. 9 by a French column and, although heavily defended, it too was secured. Both redoubts became part of the second parallel by morning.

British morale declined rapidly after this attack. In desperation, Cornwallis ordered his army to cross the York River to Gloucester under the cover of darkness and try to escape overland to the north. But, a sudden storm prevented the small boats from ferrying his men. His fate was sealed.

On the morning of October 17, a drummer appeared on a parapet of the British fortifications followed by an officer waving a white handkerchief. All firing ceased while the British officer was blindfolded and led by an American officer to the allied camp.



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He presented a note from Cornwallis proposing a cessation of hostilities for 24 hours and requesting two officers be appointed by each side to meet at Moore House, a private home in the American sector, to settle terms for the surrender of the posts of York and Gloucester.

Washington replied that in "an ardent desire to spare the further effusion of blood" he would consider Cornwallis' terms, but he would only grant a suspension of hostilities for two hours from the delivery of the terms.

Commissioners were appointed by each side and terms of surrender were agreed upon by nine o'clock on the evening of October 18. Preparations were made for the surrender ceremony.

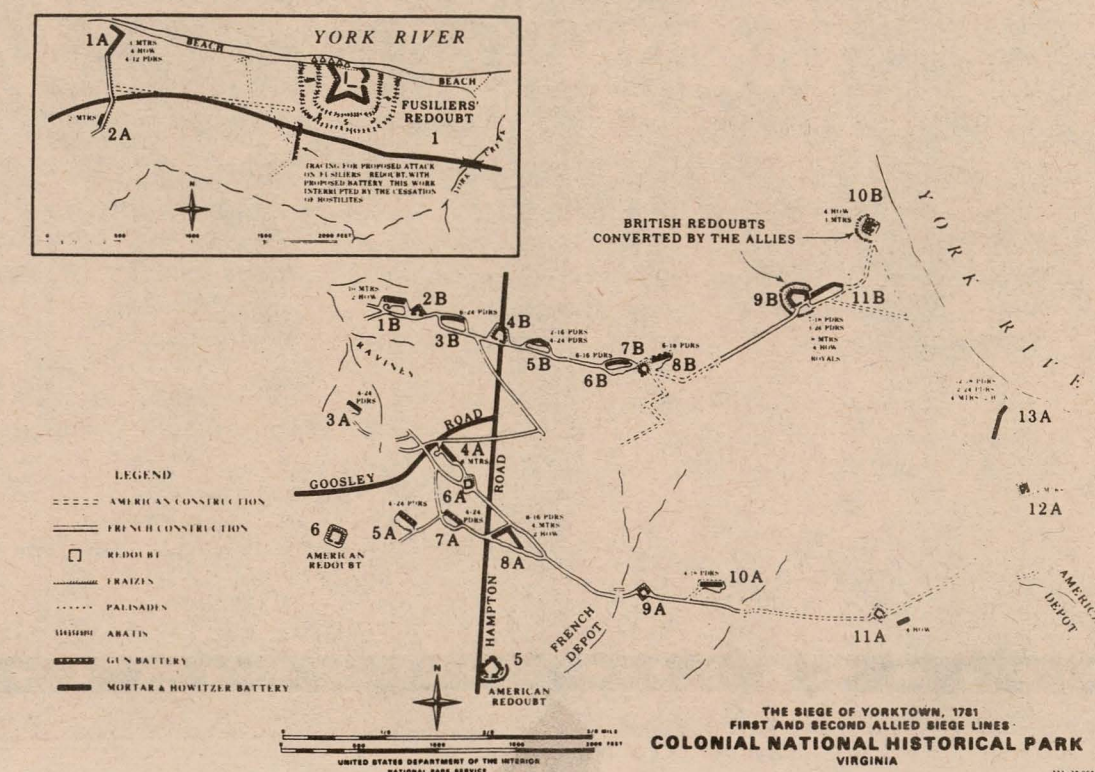
Cornwallis ordered his military stores opened and each British soldier was provided with a new uniform.

On the afternoon of October 19, 1781, the British troops marched out of their fortifications. With shouldered arms and colors cased, they marched solemnly to the sound of drums beating a British march.

They proceeded down a dirt road between the American and French armies to the appointed field of surrender and lay down their arms.

The victory at Yorktown formed the bridge between the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution. Together with the victories at Valley Forge, Saratoga, Brandywine, Kings Mountain and Cowpens, the defeat of the British at Yorktown redeemed the pledge made by the signers of the Declaration.

The suffering of the Continental Line, and the victory at Yorktown, made the Declaration of Independence a meaningful statement of American political freedom.



"Cornwallis's Surrender," by C. Bromidi, architect of the capitol.

Spirit of Victory

by LTC Bill Highlander

Preparations are underway for the last major celebration in the Nation's Bicentennial—the victory at Yorktown. In that small village on the York River in Virginia on October 19, 1781, Cornwallis' surrender to George Washington broke the spine of Britain's effort to maintain control over the American colonies. Sporadic fighting continued for nearly two years before a treaty was signed, but Yorktown was the decisive battle which has represented for Americans ever since, the spirit of victory through perseverance, dedication, and ingenuity.

The United States Army has chosen for its theme this year "The Army at Yorktown: Spirit of Victory." It is well that we reaffirm our commitment to the principles for which the soldiers and citizenry fought so gallantly and which the Army is still bound to protect and preserve. History recounts the sacrifices of soldiers, often ill-equipped, ill-trained and ill-paid, who withstood bitter winters, long marches, and countless hardships before winning. The stories of leadership and heroics of individual soldiers continue to inspire through examples of Americans putting fortitude above comfort and honor above ambition.

The celebration at Yorktown should not be thought of as an event important only to Virginians or the original States, for Yorktown is a symbol to the entire United States and to the world wherever ideals of freedom are maintained or sought. A series of Army News Service (ARNEWS) articles relating the events leading to victory at Yorktown, the battle, and the surrender ceremony will soon be available so that soldiers can learn or renew a familiarity with this important phase of our history. The examples of sacrifice and dedication will remind soldiers of the sense of responsibility and obligation that they bear even now.

At the same time, we should not overlook the parallels in problems facing that original Army and the Army of today. It would be folly to focus only on the victory and rely on the heroics of individuals in future conflicts. Indeed, Washington alluded to "Divine Providence" as a critical factor at Yorktown. Surely Clinton's failure to reinforce, a successful deception allowing the massing of troops, and the fortunate availability of a French fleet created a situation for American victory. Planning, intelligence, and seizing opportunity through personal leadership are as important today as they were 200 years ago.

Allied support was paramount then and remains so today. Even though the United States is a superpower, much of our commitment to freedom would be ineffectual without host-country support and reciprocal defense treaties. Just as French monetary and military support was crucial to victory at Yorktown, the United States and its allies must forge strong bonds against potential adversaries. Within the military itself, the necessity for cooperation in combined and joint operations remains key to winning on the modern battlefield.

The problems of raising and training an effective Army then are not unlike today's hurdles. Washington spent countless hours appealing to the Congress for more soldiers, more equipment, more supplies, and more money to support the Army. Not everyone flocked to the call of the bugle, and those who did expected a war of short duration and adequate recompense for service. The ideals of the cause did not prevent threats of mutiny and desertion because of wartime conditions and low or no pay. Generous bonuses did not encourage the needed number of volunteers, and the need for a draft to fill the ranks for the duration of the conflict became obvious. A system for integrating the militia into the Regular Army was sorely needed. Baron Von Steuben earned his historic laurels by bringing discipline to the Army and insisting on standardization in training.

The modern Army faces similar struggles in manning a force capable of meeting defense commitments, modernizing and equipping the units to a competitive edge, and training to rigorous, challenging standards. Dedication, patriotism, and pride are still prized by soldiers, and examples of professionalism can be readily found in units wherever soldiers live and work. But even those ideals can be frustrated when soldiers feel that their service is unappreciated by military and civilian leaders and that this is evidenced by low pay, inadequate quality of life, and fewer opportunities for realistic, demanding training.

The ideals of freedom, fought for and won through sacrifice and dedication in our first war, must be protected. Vigilance through readiness is the imperative. A strong Army, ably led, well-trained, well-equipped, and imbued with the spirit of Yorktown, is needed more today than ever before. We cannot count on "Divine Providence" in future conflicts. We will not have the time to mobilize the Army and the Nation as was done in World War II. We should not send inadequately prepared soldiers into battle as was done in Korea. We must be fully supported by the Government and the American people during commitment of troops to the battlefield.

We will learn much by reflecting on the victory at Yorktown—by drawing on the examples that inspire leaders and soldiers to overcome adversity, and by examining the problems that could recur to threaten the strength of the Army now.

(Editor's note: LTC Bill Highlander is a staff action officer in the Command Information Division of the Chief of Public Affairs, HQDA.)



RM1 Rufino Pontillas gives a storage area a fresh look.

'This place never looked so good'

Story and photos by Jon Chelgren

Quarters residents and Presidio soldiers banded together in a two day effort to spruce up the post Friday and Saturday during the annual fall cleanup here.

The drive was broken up into a Friday policing of administrative areas followed by Saturday's cleaning and "greening" of post quarters.

The drive brought increased emphasis and several changes this year.

Trucks toured housing areas Saturday to pick up the trash and rakings that residents had collected

during their labors.

In addition, topsoil was dumped at several sites to help residents combat the sandy conditions which hamper their efforts to grow grass and shrubs around their housing.

Residents of the Pershing Park Housing Area will get an additional boost to their beautification efforts when painting of all housing units is started there soon.

Even without the painting, however, one senior building occupant from the Pershing neighborhood said of the cleanup, "This place has never looked so good."



Sgt Joseph Benishek rakes a common area.



SSgt Maria DeLaCerna gathers some clippings for the trash bin.

Sports

These folks 'stick it' to each other

Photo and Story by Tim Dewar

The Presidio has had a fencing club since 1952 that has yet to install a single fence. Not the chain link variety of fencers, the group meets every Monday and Thursday to practice their skills with the foil, Epee and Saber under the direction of William O'Brien.

The group of 25 fencers of all ages has placed members on the Olympic team as well as winning many national and state fencing titles.

The group currently holds the Northern

California Pacific Coast Championship individual and team titles.

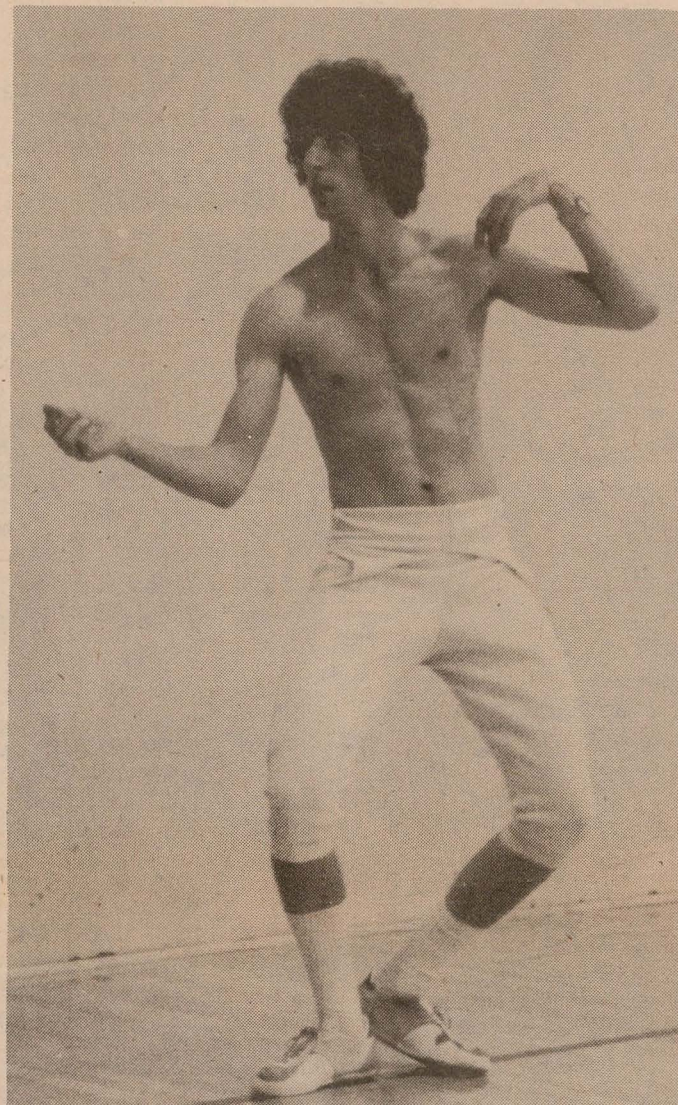
In the 1981 World Championship the group came in eighth out of 24 teams from all over the world.

O'Brien, organizer of the club says beginners are welcome to attend, but are advised to bring their own equipment.

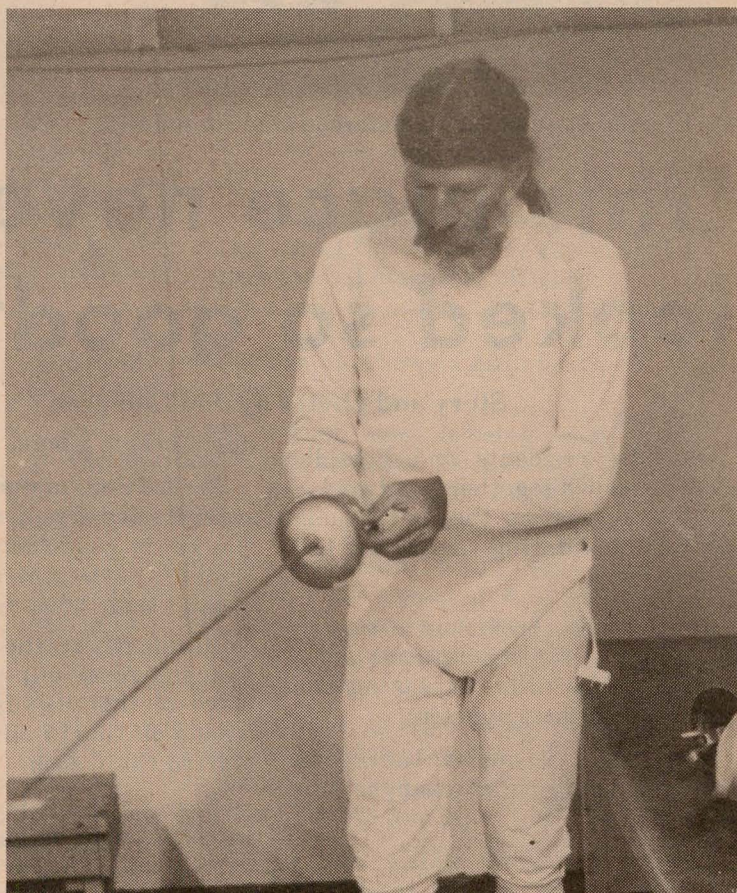
One of the reasons for their numerous titles may be that they hold practice year round to prepare for the October to June season.



Katie Kurlaski practices her form against instructor O'Brien.



Paul Pavelko practices movements without his foil.



Larry Kincaid dons his gear.

Jimmy the Freak

'You get these for free'

Jimmy the Freak, the Star Presidian's peerless pigskin prognosticator, offers his NFL picks of the week once again.

Jimmy went .500 again last week, but assures us that he is just getting warmed up.

"I did not have what you would call a great week picking winners, but I'm still ahead of that other Jimmy, the one from the Aegean area. Anyway, you get these picks for free, so give me a break, will ya?" Jimmy said after last week's results.

New Orleans 27, New York Giants 16

New Orleans has all the Saints rooting for them except one... St. Anthony, who is the patron of lost causes... who, naturally, roots for the Giants.

Los Angeles 30, Green Bay 17

The Packers looked good for

three quarters against the Falcons last week. It's too bad that the officials made them play 15 more minutes.

Detroit 24, Minnesota 17

The Vikings have looked terrible. They'll have lots of problems with Billy Simms, who won't be just "lion" around.

Atlanta 34, San Francisco 17

I'm afraid that the 49ers will have to wait until next year (or next decade), before they have a chance against the high-flying Falcons.

Baltimore 19, Denver 16

The Colts' defense is a little less inept than the Broncos offense.

Cleveland 30, Cincinnati 20

A team with as much talent as the Browns will not go 0-3.

Houston 27, Miami 20

There's too much 'Earl' in Texas for the Dolphins to handle.

Pittsburg 30, New York Jets 13

You've got to feel sorry for the Jets, because the Steelers are bound to beat up on some team very soon.

San Diego 28, Kansas City 20

Too much offense for the Chiefs. Fouts or Kenney? An obvious choice, n'est pas?

Oakland 27, Seattle 17

The Raiders never lose their home opener.

Dallas 27, New England 24

Very difficult making a decision on this game. Again, the Patriots are just too talented to go 0-3, but it could happen.

St. Louis 24, Washington 20

Any team that loses to the Giants can not be taken seriously for the next few weeks.

Chicago 28, Tampa Bay 14

The Bears will be loaded for Bucs.

Seagull run coming soon

The third annual Seagull Run on Treasure Island (middle of the Bay Bridge) will be held Saturday, Oct. 17 at 8:30 a.m.

Run either 5 or 10 kilometers. Here's an unusual opportunity to run Treasure Island with its scenic ocean views of San Francisco, Alcatraz, Oakland, etc.

The 5K course will encircle flat, Treasure Island and the 10K race will cover Treasure Island plus the challenging inclines on Yerba Buena Island. Choose either course on race day.

Categories by age division for each race will include both men and women: 12 and under, 13-18, 19-29, 30-39, 40-55 and 56 and over.

Entry fee: \$6. Pre-registration before Oct. 2 and packets will be mailed to all entrants. Registration will be accepted race day for \$7.

T-shirts will be presented to all finishers. There will be first and second place awards, and refreshments.

For further information on the race, contact the Special

Services Department, Naval Station Treasure Island at 765-5088 weekdays from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Youths lose

The Presidio Earthquakes opened the fall season invitational soccer league Saturday with a 5-1 loss to the Viking Pirates at Lowell High School.

The Post's under 12-years-old representatives in the league found themselves behind 1-0 at the end of the first half.

Kevin Bruhn scored the only goal for the Earthquakes.

Sports Shorts

Racquetball tourney

The Sports Branch will conduct a double elimination singles racquetball tournament Oct. 23-25 to select a team to represent the Presidio in the 1982 FORSCOM Racquetball Championships at Fort Polk, in November.

Active duty personnel assigned or attached to the Presidio interested in competing are urged to contact the Sports Branch or their Unit A&R Officer/NCO. Entries must be submitted no later than Oct. 16.

Bowling ahead

All units/activities interested in competing in the Thursday afternoon Intramural Bowling League are urged to contact the Sports Branch. League play will commence in early October. Cost of bowling three games to include the secretary's fee will be \$1.80. Shoe rental is 35 cents. Only ten teams will be accepted. First come, first served.

Race planned

The 1981 Post Cross Country Championship race will commence on Oct. 21 at noon at the Main Gym. The race will cover 3.1 miles over rolling hills and trees. Awards will be presented to the top two military finishers in the various age groups. Runners can either sign-up on race day or come to the main gym during normal duty hours. For further information contact Robert Darling at ext. 5032 or 4120.

Soccer signups

The 1981 DYA Soccer program will be sponsoring teams to participate in the upcoming pre-season Viking practice league. Sign-ups will be conducted at the Fort Scott Gym from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekdays. In addition to accompanying their children, parents are requested to bring copies of birth certificates, a small color picture and a \$7 registration fee, of which \$5 will go towards the NCYSA identification card. Those interested in coaching, officiating or desiring further information are urged to contact Mr. Karl Gaffney at ext. 5328 or 2070.

- At the movies -

Presidio Theater

Sept. 17	The Four Seasons (PG)
Sept. 18	The Four Seasons (PG)
Sept. 19	The World's Greatest Athlete/Herbie Goes to Monte Carlo (G)
Sept. 19	The World's Greatest Athlete/Herbie Goes to Monte Carlo (G)
Sept. 20	Stripes (R)
Sept. 21	Stripes (R)
Sept. 22	Kill and Kill Again (PG)
Sept. 23	The Nesting (R)
Sept. 24	Seems Like Old Times (PG)

Schwartz Theater

Sept. 17	Dirty Tricks (PG)	7 p.m.
Sept. 18	Cheech & Chong's Next Movie (R)	7 p.m.
Sept. 21	The Four Seasons (PG)	7 p.m.
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Sept. 23	Stripes (R)	7 p.m.
Sept. 24	Kill and Kill Again (PG)	7 p.m.

"Stripes" is a laugh filled adventure into Army life with Bill Murray as a new recruit. Warren Oates portrayal of a drill sergeant will bring back memories of basic training to any soldier.

News Notes

Grand opening

A labor of love and pride is about to be given a second unveiling in the Bay Area this weekend.

"Ready and forward," the history of the black soldier is opening at Fort Point following restoration of two rooms there.

The opening ceremony is set for 1 p.m. Sunday with City Supervisor Willie Kennedy, William Whalen, superintendent of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area, and Robert Wright, assistant to State Speaker of the House Willie Brown, making opening remarks.

Anthony Powell, the person who invested 10 years in the collection of much of what is displayed will also be on hand to add his comments and answers questions.

A free one-hour concert by the Turk Murphy Jazz Band will follow the ceremony. The exhibit will be open to the public daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. for the next year.

Dinner planned

The Officers Wives Club is hosting a pot luck dinner for members and their husbands Sept. 24 at 7 p.m. at the Log Cabin.

Included in the evening will be a belly-dancing performance.

Admission is one dollar. Persons interested in attending should contact Berta Finical at ext. 2640 or Ruth Haberle at ext. 2786 before Sept. 24.

Jazz coming

The next concert by the Sixth Army Band's Jazz All Stars will be Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the LAIR auditorium.

The concert, which includes the sounds of jazz from Glenn Miller to today, is free and the public is welcome.

Recomp ahead

Recomputation of promotion points for all E-4's will begin in October while the same will occur for E-5's in November, according to COMPACT's CWO Craig Lee.

Lee urges all people looking for promotion to review their records for any additional points which may not now be reflected. If you are eligible for additional points or have a question, contact your unit's Personnel Services NCO.

Although the personnel services tries to insure all points are included and every enlisted person's record is accurate, it's still the individual's responsibility to protect his or her own career.

Info available

The Civilian Personnel Office (CPO) at the Presidio has received additional information on job opportunities available for civilian employees in Korea. For those individuals interested in information in this regard, the Seoul CPO autovon number is 262-1101. Calls must be booked through the overseas operator. As this is often inconvenient, the PSF CPO has been provided with additional information which is available at the Reception Desk. Hours of operation are Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Those who desire information on living conditions in Korea may call Bertrano Ai Chang at US Army Civilian Personnel Center, autovon 221-9299 or (202) 326-9299.

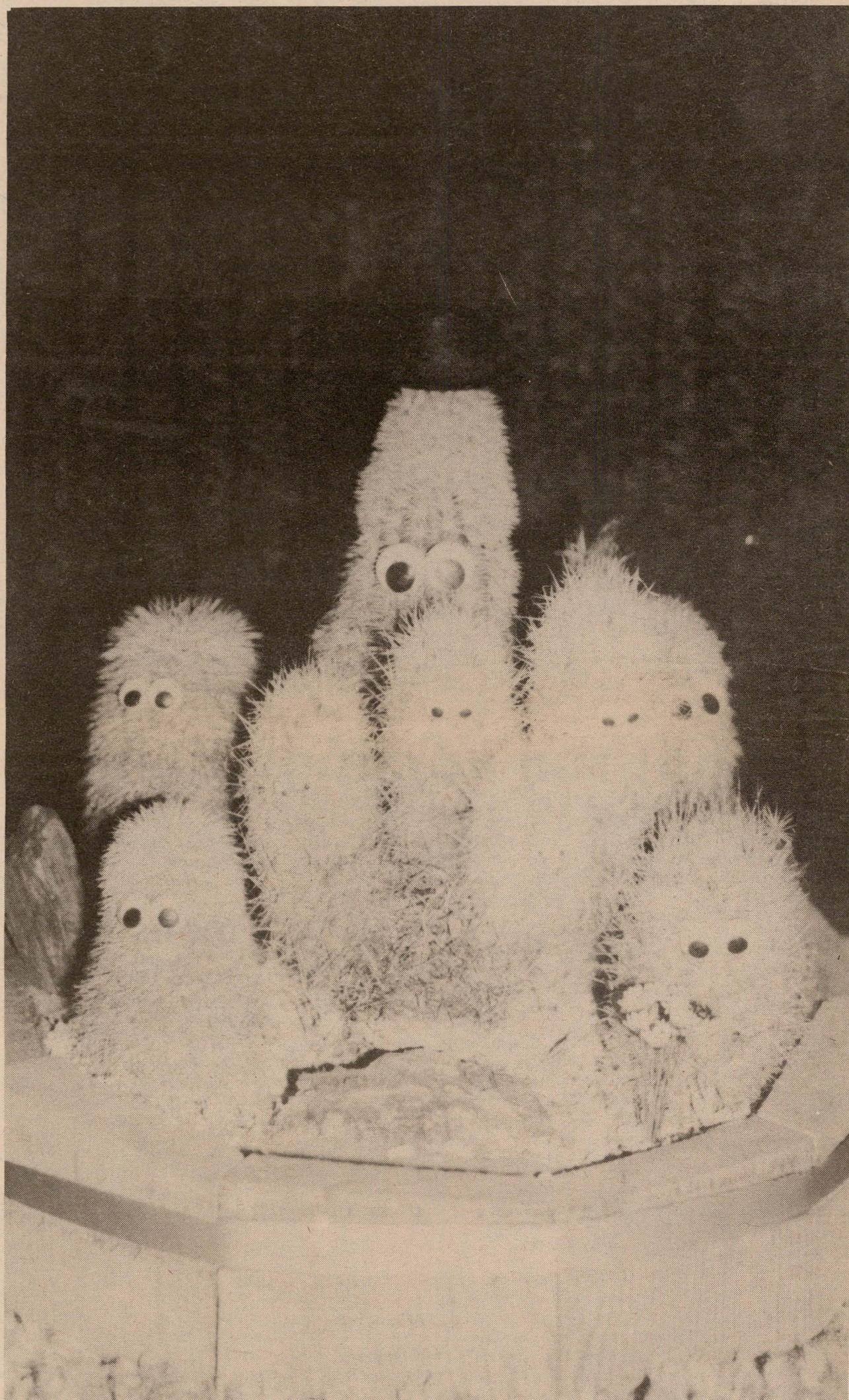


Photo of the Week

SSgt Harry D. Belonus won Photo of the Week honors for his shot entitled, "Aliens." His entry will now go on to face other weekly winners in a quar-

terly competition. If you have a photo you would like to submit, drop it by our newsroom in building 37, room 214.

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Plans underway for a post wide celebration

by K. Douglas Cook

In a little over four weeks, the Presidio will come alive with the richness of music, art, food, culture and health.

This year's edition of the Presidio All-American Week and the Letterman Army Medical Center's (LAMC) Health Fair arrives on post very soon as members of units and agencies work hard to make it happen.

All-American festivities kick off just before noon on Oct. 21 with a special salute to the purpose and meaning of the celebration.

A day later, the Health Fair opens in building 104 on Montgomery Street, just across from the All-American Week's center stage area.

The thrust of this year's celebration is awareness. While All-American activities are set to bring a new understanding of the various ethnic groups found in this country and the Army, the Health Fair's two-day run is meant to increase understanding of how one can remain healthy in the modern world.

While the day-to-day business continues in units and within various sections of the hospital, the task of assembling the activities to make this year's dual celebration a success also progresses.

"This year's activities should be very special to everyone concerned," says Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., post commander. "While Letterman will be providing a variety of health screening and educational services, post units and activities associated with the Presidio are combining forces to bring increased awareness to Presidians about cultural groups."

In the Oct. 16 edition of the post newspaper, a special color insert will be published, including a medical age survey which can be brought along to the fair for evaluation.

According to Chuck Dasey, LAMC public affairs officer, health providers and educators from LAMC as well as from around the Bay Area will be on hand at the Health Fair to offer information and some basic services. The location of the fair, in close proximity to the All-American Week activities, will make visiting both events very easy.

In future editions of the *Star Presidian*, details will be published as to what units and agencies are doing in support of All-American Week and what you'll be able to find at the Health Fair.



One of the concession stands at last year's celebration serving ethnic foods.

Star Presidian file photo

Hall urges school safety

by K. Douglas Cook

It's back to school for children of the Presidio and these should be adventuresome, happy times.

However, for some children, it could be their last school year.

FACT: Boy, 3, follows older brother and sister to the school bus. Mom is busy in the family quarters. Boy gets lost returning home, falls into 4 inch creek. Cause of death: suffocation.

FACT: Girl, age 7, departs bus after school. Plays with several friends before coming home. Realizes she is late and, running with friends across street, is struck by motorist. Cause of death: multiple trauma.

FACT: Boy, 11 years, returns home after school. Parents both employed so boy is alone for approximately two hours each day. Tries to make a snack on stove, spills grease and fire ignites boy and kitchen area. Cause of death: Third degree burns to 85 percent of body.

FACT: Girl, age 13, awaits ride to school. Man approaches in car, stops and offers girl a ride to school. She accepts. He forces her to accompany her to remote area. She is assaulted. Two years later she is still undergoing medical and emotional rehabilitation.

Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., is deeply concerned that parents on the Presidio and within the

command are aware of the safety and well-being of their children.

"To date the Presidio's record of keeping children safe is excellent and it will take the effort of everyone to keep it that way!" says Hall, the post commander.

Children don't always know or consider their actions fully. They're curious and at times, ignorant of the risks of their actions.

Hall encourages all Presidians to watch out for the youngsters and maintain safety upmost in their mind. He invites everyone to help make this school year another happy, healthy and wholesome year.

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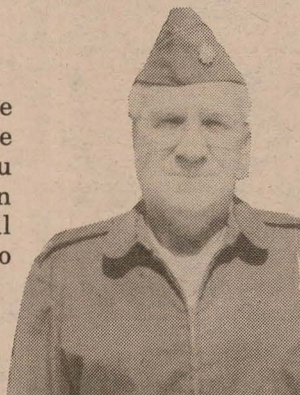
What do you think of the new NCO shoulder boards?



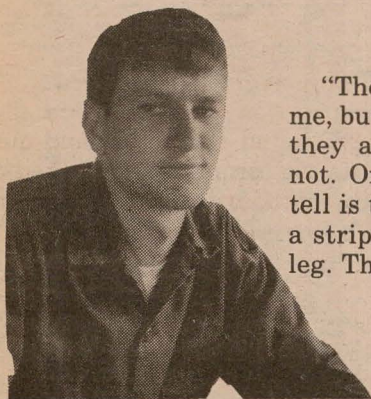
SSgt Kenneth Johnson, MISO

"I haven't bought any yet because I wear fatigues most of the time, but they add something to the uniform. You can distinguish between them and the officer's because they are a different color."

"I think they are great but when you see the gold up there, you don't know if it is an NCO or a Major. It will take some getting to use to."



Lt. Col. Thomas Christie, LAMC



Pvt. 2 Mark Martin, Motor Pool

"The new NCO shoulder boards are okay, but sometimes they can pose a problem. It's really quite difficult to tell who you are approaching. I've heard NCOs say they were saluted."



Pvt. 2 Jennifer Brewster, COMPACT

Commentary

False alarm is no joke

by K. Douglas Cook



Something very sad and extremely dangerous happened this past Monday on the Presidio.

It was a small matter, except to the several people directly involved who placed their lives on the line. Some may think it was funny and exciting. I think it was sick and should be stopped dead in its tracks, right now!

At about 7:45 a.m., someone walked up to the fire alarm box in one of the post housing areas and pulled the handle. The firefighters of the Presidio were just starting their morning ritual of checking their equipment to insure it would be ready for another day. The alarm was received and within seconds equipment rolled.

Two engines and a rescue van responded with red lights flashing and sirens wailing. Traffic was heavy because of the hour. Firefighters know that, in a house fire, seconds count so they move quickly.

A child might be trapped in a bedroom, running out of oxygen. A life-full of possessions may be moments away from destruction. To them, every alarm means lives are in danger.

I have a friend back East who was once a firefighter. Now he works at a desk in an office. A couple of years ago he responded to an alarm with his company. While the engine was rushing to the scene, a motorist failed to stop for the engine and my buddy became a victim. Today he has only one leg and one hand. He didn't lose his limbs for any good reason. He lost them due to the same thing which happened Monday in the early morning—a false alarm.

What sort of person would turn in a false alarm? Why would anyone want to endanger firefighters and countless innocent bystanders by doing such a sick and stupid thing?

While the engines and rescue equipment were on one side of the post, a real emergency could have happened elsewhere. Time wasted and, maybe, a life lost.

It's not a big problem on the Presidio and the firefighters say they're used to it when it does happen. But why should it be tolerated even once?

If you know someone who thinks it's funny to turn in false alarms, get them straightened out and fast! Tell them it's against the law. Tell them it's dangerous. Tell them about the former firefighter who now walks around with a metal crutch and can only watch other people do what he thought, and still thinks, was very important.

Letters

The forgotten few remembered

Dear Editor,

I read with interest your commentary of Sept. 11, "The Forgotten Few," and thought it was very interesting. I also read the article by Ramblin' Sam on the Exchange Food Service Outlets. Both of these articles led me to write this item about the post cafeteria.

I normally eat breakfast and lunch at the cafeteria and want to take this opportunity to commend one of the most efficient and dedicated

workers employed by the cafeteria, Ms. Lewis, who is the fry cook. She is always very pleasant and continues to amaze me on the number of orders she can remember. When she is away on vacation, it either requires two employees to replace her or if one employee is replacing her, the wait is awful.

I feel that she should be considered for Federal Employee of the Year. I would like to hear comments from other cafeteria patrons.

Sid Domingue

Dear Mr. Domingue,

It was very refreshing to receive your letter commending Ms. Lewis. Although we get a great deal of mail, it is very seldom that we get the opportunity to pass along a pat on the back to a deserving employee.

It is a pleasure for us to do so and we hope that other readers will follow your lead and use this forum to recognize the positive things that occur on the Presidio as well as the negative ones.

Editor

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16 original members

300 attend the 40th MP anniversary ball

by K. Douglas Cook

A lone table with a single place setting stood separate and apart from the festivities of the 40th anniversary of the Military Police Corps this past Saturday.

The lone setting was a mute reminder of fallen military police officers to the nearly 300 people who gathered at the Presidio Officers' Club. The MP motto, "Of The Troops and For The Troops," was very much on the mind of those who came to remember.

Maj. Gen. Kenneth Dohleman, deputy commander of Sixth Army and keynote speaker for the occasion, joined Presidians and guests in honoring retired Brig. Gen. Jeremiah Holland, 78, of San Diego, and 16 former members of the 91st Division

who saw service during World War II.

Holland is widely known for his work in helping to establish the Military Police Corps. Today, the Holland Award, an annual and highly sought after honor among MP units, is held by an MP company with the 2nd Infantry Division in Korea. A new winner will be announced in December. The award is based upon total unit performance and accomplishments.

The MP's from the 91st Division were holding their reunion for the first time on the West Coast. Their presence, along with the present and former military police officers, made the evening's activities especially memorable as the Corps enters its 41st year of service to the Army.



photo by D. Jackson

Maj. Gen. Dohleman speaks with Col. (r.) Paul Jeffery at MP reunion.

Anti-crime program focuses on burglary

by Charles Taylor

The Army's most common crime, burglary, is the focus of a continuing service and post crime watch campaign.

An Army-wide program has been put into effect recently with the emphasis on what the Army considers America's most common crime.

Although the Presidio has had only two burglary cases this year, crime prevention NCOIC, Sgt. Robert Raisor, says, "Measures have to be taken to insure the security of individual property in an effort to avoid enticing criminals."

Aside from Raisor's walk-through security checks, he also conducts security checks upon request in and outside of military quarters.

"There are many ways an individual living in government housing can inexpensively protect themselves from unlawful intrusion. Consulting the housing office here is advisable, but unless an individual could do more damage than good, housing usually approves personal property security measures," Raisor says.

Raisor says, "In June the Department of Defense (DoD) established a new policy for the locating and marking of personal property. By placing the owner's social security number and U.S. Army identification code on personal property, the military's computer system can assist the military police in locating the owner,

regardless of where he may be stationed."

According to DoD, the primary threat in the areas of safety and security, are individual and neighborhood property. The emphasis of this year's campaign is security of both barracks and family residences and the marking and recording of personal property.

"Neighborhood Watch" encourages servicemembers and their families to actively participate in protecting their own property and the property of their neighbors by joining community crime prevention programs and reporting suspicious activities."

To assist in the protection of per-

sonal property, the post's crime prevention section will provide decals to display around the billets and quarters stating property is marked for ready identification by law enforcement agencies as a deterrent to burglars. The crime prevention section also has an assortment of information and handouts on how to secure your valuables. Raisor says, "If you're unfortunate and have your home burglarized, and your valuables weren't logged in the property record booklet issued from housing, your unit or the crime prevention section, the government will not reimburse you."

For information, contact the post military police crime prevention section at ext. 5011.

Telephone construction may disrupt traffic

The installation of new telephone cables in the main post area may cause some temporary traffic tie-ups, but will result in improved service for several post activities, according to the Presidio's chief of communications.

Major Phillip Patterson, director of Communication and Electronics, said installation of the underground cables is slated to begin early next week and last for about four months. The main parade ground, Montgomery and Graham streets, and Keyes and Anza avenues will be posted with men working signs in the coming weeks.

In all, two separate cables—each with 1200 lines—will be installed. Telephone service for the proposed new locations of personnel and finance operations in the 100 series buildings will be upgraded by one project, while the entire Presidio and Fort Baker will be enhanced by the other, which will connect the post with the commercial phone system. The new cable installation also will upgrade the Federal Emergency Management Agency's communications service.

Patterson also noted the new cable installation will allow the activation of the Wells Fargo

automatic teller system and provide exchange vendors with more commercial telephone lines.

The cables will allow a computer in the automatic teller and a computer off-post to communicate and dispense cash or accept deposits.

Patterson explained the automatic teller and other non-mission essential activities couldn't be served because the post's communications system is filled to capacity. "Mission related functions have priority and request in this area are extensive," the major said.



HT2 Joy Scheffer prepares .

Army assists Navy in pier reconstruction

by Tim Dewar
photos by John Haberle

The demolition of three piers on Treasure Island began Saturday by members of the Naval Reserve and an Army Reserve engineer company.

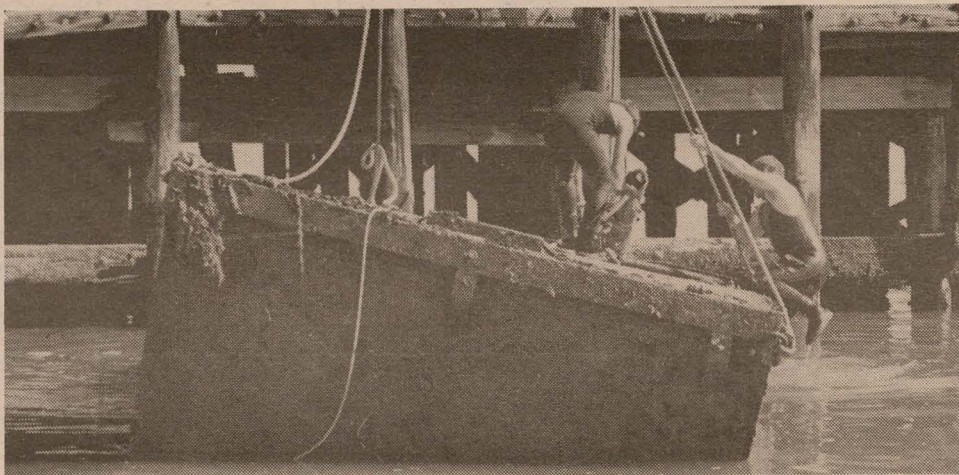
Piers 12, 13 and 14, which have begun to rot, were found to be too costly to repair. Plans call for the construction of two new piers.

Crane operators from the 801st Eng. Co. at Oakland Army Base assisted the Naval Reserve Harbor Clearance Unit 1 (NRHCU 1) Detachment 220 in removing 12 pon-

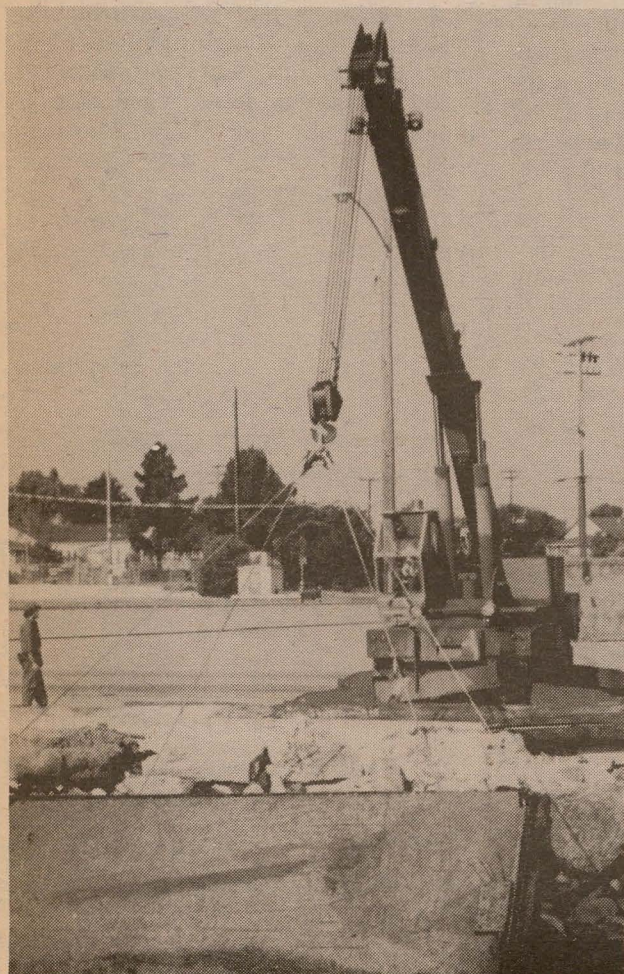
toon bridges that were sunk along pier 14. The bridges, weighing five tons each, had to be removed and the rest of the pier area cleared before demolition could begin.

The divers had to go under water to cut the bolts holding the pontoons together. After the bolts are cut, the bridges are lifted out by the crane operators.

Demolition is expected to continue for several weekends in preparation for the new construction work.



Naval reservists work on a pontoon.



A portion is lifted from the water.



A crane is brought in to help.

Administration chops five VA programs

by Tim Dewar

Veterans Administration (VA) benefits may be affected as budget cuts chop five programs that have failed to live up to their original objectives according to a VA news release.

The cuts, expected to save an estimated \$110 million, will not affect important veteran benefits, say VA officials.

The programs being dropped or limited include subsidized flight training, correspondence course training payments, education loans, and burial and dental benefits.

Flight training payments are

being cut for all not in training programs before Oct. 1. The move is expected to save an estimated \$14.1 million in fiscal year 1982.

The cut is being made because only 16 percent of the graduates had full-time jobs related to the training, according to the VA release.

Besides grounding flight training payments, the reductions will also mean veterans in correspondence courses will share a larger part of the cost. The amount reimbursable by VA for the correspondence courses will be reduced Oct. 1 to 55 percent of the total cost. The VA now pays 70 percent of the cost.

A program providing low interest loans for GI Bill students is also being dropped. It is expected to save another \$6 million by avoiding losses from the high default rate in the loan program.

Another program being pulled is free dental care for up to a year after separation from the military. The cuts call for limiting the free service to 90 days.

A \$300 burial allowance previously available to all war veterans has been trimmed for all but those eligible for VA pensions or compensation or those who die in VA medical facilities.

New youth center inaugurated here

by Dennis Moreland

Building 908 is an old structure sheltering new hopes. Located at Crissy Field, the one-story, wooden building is the home of Presidio's newly chartered Parent-Youth Club.

Maj. Robert McKenzie, Jr., the club's military sponsor, says the organization has several goals, but "is designed primarily to provide an atmosphere where parents and their children can get together and do things. It's intended to be an educational and recreational experience for everyone involved."

The Parent-Youth Club headquarters now contains a soda machine and a shuffle-board game, but McKenzie says a pool table, television sets and other amenities soon will be added. Dances, tours, and picnics are also on the club's agenda.

The importance of the Parent-Youth club, according to president Nancy Robertson, "is that it provides safe, chaperoned activities for Presidio young people. The club headquarters will be opened only if parents are available to monitor activities.

The lack of youth-oriented, Army sponsored activities has been a familiar lament around the Presidio. But as things turned out, Robertson thinks it's probably better the club doesn't have a paid director.

"The presence of parents," she says, "lets children know someone is interested in them. It also provides me with the opportunity to develop friendships with my daughter's friends."

McKenzie estimates that about 60 parents and 120 children are members of the club. Membership, he said, is open to children 10 to 18 years-of-age.

Heidemarie Mazza, a parent and member of the club, says the organization's headquarters is significant "because it gives kids something to call their own and provides an alternative to the bowling alley and theater. Now they have a place to go for a few hours after school and on weekends. Going to the movies every night gets old after awhile."

The Parent-Youth club isn't all fun and games. The organization cleaned-up Crissy Field as part of the community service project and devoted many hours to refurbishing the building now serving as its headquarters. Classes in first-aid, CPR, arts and crafts are planned, too. A member of the club designed its logo.

Teaching young people to be self-sufficient and creative is another aim of the club, according to MSgt. James L. Williams, the organization's assistant treasurer. Williams is a parent but doesn't have any children in the club. He's involved because he wants to help provide a "wholesome, healthy atmosphere where young people can grow and develop."

Kathy Robertson, a 14-year-old club member, finds the organization's social aspects especially rewarding. I met a lot of people through the club I wouldn't have otherwise known," she says. Like her mother, the club's president, Kathy feels it's important for kids to feel parents are concerned about how and where leisure time is spent.

As one member says, "Now that the Parent-Youth club is a reality, less leisure time will be devoted to complaining that 'there's nothing to do.'"



photo by Bill Craig

Youths play pinball in their new building.

News Notes

Presidio Girl Scouts

All girls between the ages of 6-18 interested in joining the Presidio Girl Scouts can register Saturday between 10 a.m. and noon at bldg. 566, located directly across the street from the Thrift Shop. There will be a small fee charged. Parents are also needed. Point of contact is Diane Pickell at ext. 2344.

Credit union opens

An "experimental" branch of the Pentagon Federal Credit Union will open in Letterman Army Medical Center Oct. 6.

The branch, located in room 335, will be open from 1 to 4 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays. Kathy Manuel, branch manager, says the facility will offer a wide range of services, including savings deposits, loan payments, and new account openings. All transactions, however, must be made by check or money order. No cash transactions will be conducted, she emphasized.

She explained the branch is experimental because its continued operation depends on how well the branch is patronized. She said the hours will be expanded if the response is good.

The credit union branch, Manuel said, is being opened as a convenience for Lettermen patients and workers, who may have difficulty getting to the credit union's main branch located in building 229.

Flu shots given

All active duty personnel, dependents of active duty, retired service members, and DoD civilians will be given influenza immunizations during regular duty hours in the Immunization Clinic located on the first floor of bldg. 1016, Room 113. Persons should bring their shot records.

Promotion point recomp

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Hispanic activities

The Comité Pro Lingua y Cultura, with the support of the Spanish Consulate, Chevron, the Zellerbach Family Fund, the Evelyn and Walter Haas Jr. Fund and Bay View Federal Savings, is presenting several activities in conjunction with Hispanic Heritage Week.

Included in the program is an classical piano recital by Guillermo Gonzales, a Spanish Medieval Gala, a Latino Film Fiesta, Songs of Mexican Women presentation and a showing of Spanish painter Antoni Tapies' work.

The activities will run from Oct. 5 to Nov. 5 at various locations in the Bay Area. Call 837-7897 for more information.

CPR class offered

The American Red Cross will be conducting a Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) class Oct. 15 and 20. The classes will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Call the Red Cross office at ext. 2187 to sign up.

Saleabration

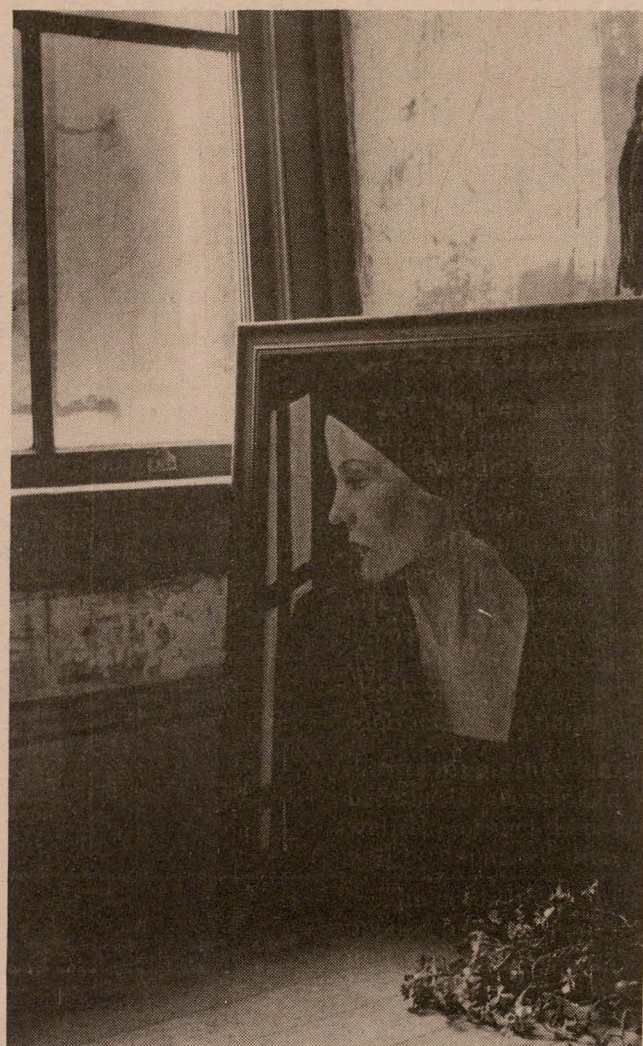
The Presidio Commissary will celebrate its fifth anniversary under Central Management by offering outstanding bargains to patrons throughout the month of October.

To highlight the occasion, "The Anniversary Saleabration," many deep voluntary price reductions (VPR's) will be featured. Among some of the special VPR's are canned tuna, coffee, tomato sauce.

Giving the Saleabration pizzaz will be numerous in-store demonstrations, sampling products, offers of contests and sweepstakes and special product couponing."

Horse show

The Presidio Riding Club will be conducting an English schooling show Sept. 27, starting at 9 a.m. at the Presidio stables. For more information, call 561-7897.



Best photo

"Windows and bars," by Lisa Kanemoto, was judged best black and white photo in the Presidio's annual photography contest. The contest was judged August 25 by John Suckas, painter/sculptor, Mr. Benjamin Chin, director of Post/Audio Visual Center and Christy Fisak, assistant Crafts Director at Oakland Army Base.

Military pay

Both the Senate and House have passed their own versions of a military pay increase bill requiring resolution by a conference committee report final legislation is enacted.

The Senate version provides pay hikes ranging from 7 percent to 22 percent, depending on rank and length of service. The House version is for an across the board increase of 14.3 percent. (ARNEWS)

At the movies

Presidio Theater

Sept. 24	Seems Like Old Times (PG)	7 p.m.
Sept. 25	Seems Like Old Times (PG)	7 p.m.
Sept. 26	Freaky Friday/Herbie Goes Bananas (G)	2 p.m.
Sept. 26	Superman II (PG)	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 26	Superman II (PG)	9:00 p.m.
Sept. 27	Superman II (PG)	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 27	Superman II (PG)	9:00 p.m.
Sept. 28	Superman II (PG)	7 p.m.
Sept. 29	Superman II (PG)	7 p.m.
Sept. 30	King of the Mountain (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 1	Scanners (R)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Sept. 24	Kill and Kill Again (PG)	7 p.m.
Sept. 25	The Nesting (R)	7 p.m.
Sept. 28	Seems Like Old Times (PG)	7 p.m.
Sept. 29	Freaky Friday/Herbie Goes Bananas (G)	7 p.m.
Sept. 30	Superman II (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 1	Superman II (PG)	7 p.m.

Presidio Preview

Adventure continues as Superman battles three super villains from Krypton in "Superman II." Romance also continues as Clark Kent's love for Lois Lane threatens to destroy Superman.

Sports

Sports Shorts

Mens' basketball tryouts

Try-outs for the post Men's Basketball Team are currently being conducted at the main gym, Bldg. 63, Monday through Friday, at 6:30 p.m. Individuals interested in participating in the work-outs are urged to contact Coach Robert Mabrey at ext. 5810. The team will be participating in the NORCAL Armed Forces Basketball League and play practice and tournament games throughout Northern California.

NORCAL bowling rolloff

A roll-off to select members of the 1981-82 post NORCAL Bowling team will be conducted at the Presidio Bowling Center. Qualifying games will be bowled Oct. 5, 7, 8, 9, 12 and 14 starting at 1 p.m. The roll-off will be limited to active duty military personnel assigned or attached to the Presidio of San Francisco with an established 1980-81 book average of 175 or better. For further information contact the Presidio Bowling Center at exts. 2080/5042.

Post cross country

The 1981 Post Cross Country Championship race will begin Oct. 21 at noon at the main gym. The race will cover 3.1 miles over rolling hills. Awards will be presented to the top two military finishers in the various age groups. Runners can either sign-up on race day or come in the main gym during normal duty hours. For further

information contact Robert Darling at exts. 5032/4120.

Racquetball tournament

The Sports Branch will conduct a double elimination singles racquetball tournament Oct. 23-25 to select a team to represent the Presidio in the 1982 FORSCOM Racquetball Championships at Fort Polk in November. Active duty soldiers assigned or attached to the Presidio interested in competing are urged to contact the Sports Branch or their Unit A & R Officer/NCO. Entries must be submitted by Oct. 16.

1981 DYA basketball

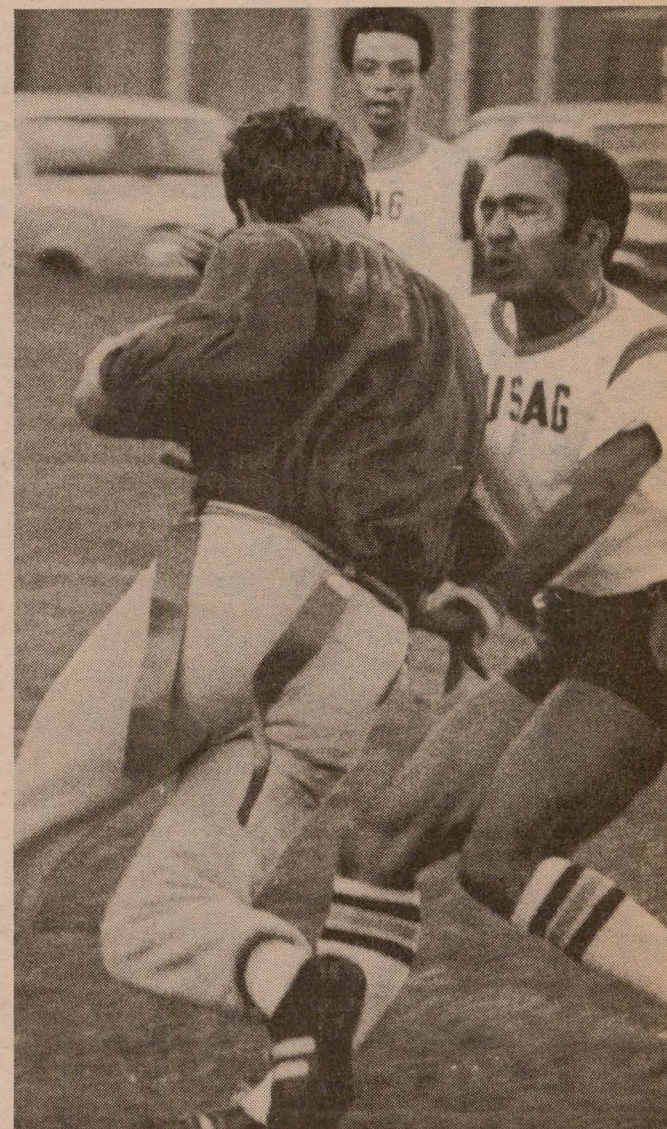
The 1981 DYA Basketball program will be getting underway shortly, with sign-ups being conducted at the Fort Scott Gym No. 3, Bldg. 1226. In addition to accompanying their children, parents are requested to bring copies of birth certificates, and a \$5 registration fee per child. The divisions are as follows:

Minor League—8-12 years old
Major League—13-16 years old
Junior League—17-18 years old

Those interested in coaching or officiating are requested to contact Karl Gaffney at exts. 5328/2070.

Flag football

League flag football play will begin Sept. 29 at 5:30 p.m. Games will be played each Tuesday and Thursday starting at 5:30 p.m. on the PX field, adjacent to the Post Library.



Flag football began Tuesday night. Star Presidian file photo

Transportation tip from Jimmy the Freak



Well, sports fans, I had a better day of prognostication last week with an 8-4 mark. A lot of people may not agree with this week's selections, but like I said last time, they're provided free of charge, so go call a cab!"

This week's picks:

Philadelphia 27, Washinton 13

Washington is "first in war, first in peace, and last in NFC." Besides, for those people living in Philly... they have to have something to root for.

Green Bay 19, Minnesota 17

The Packers take the lead in the "Underachievers" division of the NFC.

Atlanta 30, Cleveland 24

The Falcons and Bartkowski will make the Browns' eyes blue. Anyway, there is no truth to the rumor that the Cleveland team now has 17 starters named Pruitt.

Oakland 26, Detroit 17

Because of Al Davis, the Raiders are the team that America loves to hate. Even so, they're too strong for Detroit, and that's no "lion."

Houston 30, New York Jets 13

Why are the Jets defense like Chinese cooking? Because, even after scoring 30 points, the opponents' offense has the urge to come back for more.

Pittsburg 35, New England 30

The Patriots have all the talent in the world, but someone has got to volunteer to get his uniform dirty.

Miami 24, Baltimore 20

Don Shula is worth at least 7 points in establishing the odds. The Colts get mooned by Miami.

Kansas City 31, Seattle 17

Just imagine how good the Chiefs will be when they get a first string quarterback. Remember, the Seahawks are playing at home, which gives the visiting team a lock on a win.

San Diego 30, Denver 20

As quarterbacks go, Morton can't carry Fouts' shoulder pads. Denver's only chance is if their defense can

keep their offense off the field.

St. Louis 24, Tampa Bay 17

Doug Williams is still only completing 40 percent of his passes. I sometimes think that his right arm is not connected to his brain.

Dallas 34, New York Giants 13

The city of New York goes 0 and 2 for mismatches. The Giants are actually football's answer to the "little people."

Los Angeles 27, Chicago 17

The Rams stock goes up in a "bear" market.

Upset of the Week:
Cincinnati 26, Buffalo 24

I think that the Bills will be looking ahead to their upcoming battle with Miami.



Green's nighttime shot of the San Francisco Skyline took first place.

Green wins with a shot in the dark

John Green's 'San Francisco Skyline' took top honors in the Photo of the Quarter competition. Second and third place entries were both taken by Bill Gibbs. Both men will be presented with Star Presidian Headliner Awards.

All three photos will go on to compete for Photo of the Year honors. The best photo of 1981 will be

selected in December by a panel of five independent judges.

The first place winner will receive a three day/two night stay in one of the condominiums at Lake Tahoe compliments of Morale Support Activities. Complete rules on eligibility requirements will be published at a future date.



Taken by Gibbs, this photo tied for second.



This photo, by Gibbs tied for second place also.

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Family escapes early morning fire



Day and Capt. Barry Gaab inspect the rubble from the fire.

photo by Tim Dewar

A mother and her two children escaped injury after an early morning electrical fire on Tuesday left their quarters at Ft. Mason heavily damaged.

Marcia Rubino, her 15 year old son, Vincent Jr. and 10 year old daughter, Gillian were awakened at approximately 2 p.m. Tuesday by the smoke detector in their quarters. Presidio fire officials credit the smoke alarm with saving their lives.

"If it wasn't for the smoke detectors there is a very good possibility that there would have been casualties," explains one Presidio fireman.

After being awakened by the alarm, Rubino, whose husband, Maj. Vincent Rubino, is currently in Korea, gathered her two children in her upstairs bedroom and phoned the fire department.

"The fact that they kept the door closed and did not attempt to go down and put the fire out themselves probably also accounts for their safety,"

explains Presidio asst. fire chief Eugene Day.

Although heavily damaging the first floor of the quarters, officials feel that the fire was not the immediate danger to the occupants.

"Because of the toxic fumes from the burning couch, the smoke was the immediate danger. If you smell smoke, you should stay as low to the floor as you can," Day cautions.

As soon as fire fighters arrived, they brought the mother and daughter down a ladder. The son had crawled out of a second floor window onto an overhang, dropped to the ground and went to a nearby neighbors house to get help. The blaze was extinguished shortly after San Francisco firemen arrived. Day estimates this is the fifth fire in government quarters in his area that lives have been saved since the installation of smoke detectors three years ago.

"I think that smoke detectors are the greatest single investment the Army has made as far as saving lives," he adds.

Registration begins

Beginning today, all newly assigned military personnel must register their automobiles according to a release made by the provost marshal's office Tuesday.

According to the release, persons newly assigned at the Presidio will be given information on the registration requirement when they are processed in. The office of Consolidation of Military Personnel Activities (COM-PACT) will inform those personnel being assigned to the Presidio after Oct. 1, 1981. The Civilian Personnel Office is consulting with DA civilian labor representatives for a similar registration of civilian-owned autos to be initiated November.

Persons already working or assigned to the Presidio are not required to register their automobiles but may do so if they desire. Retirees also may request decals.

The actual registration of vehicles takes place at the provost marshal's office, Bldg. 36. Proof of insurance is required. Decals will be issued with instructions for proper placement on the rear and front bumpers.

This vehicle identification system is designed to aid law enforcement officials in identifying areas of post where persons not affiliated with the Presidio may be crowding available parking, then taking buses to work downtown.

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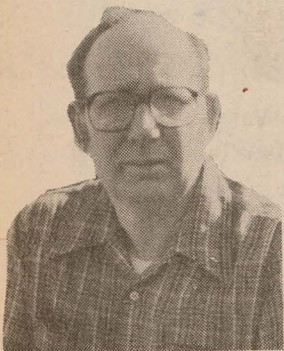
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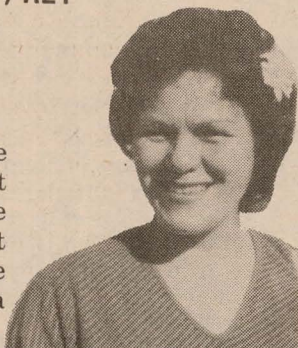
Ramblin' Sam

Do you think that the government should more fully utilize Hamilton AFB and its facilities?



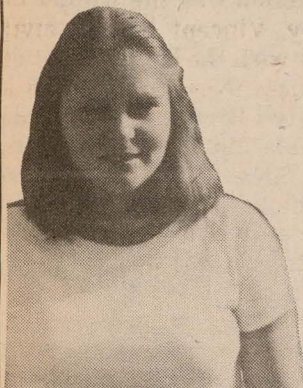
William Jones, USAF, RET

"I retired from this base when it was active. It's a shame it's not being used by the government. Why let it rot to the ground like it is right now?"



Roxanne Rioux, US Navy Dependent

"I believe the government should get Hamilton back to the way it was before it was closed down like this. It was once a showcase."



Florence Highland, US Air Force Dependent

"Yes, I believe the government should. It's dead out here right now and I won't mind the extra people!"



Susan King U.S. Coast Guard Dependent

"Sure, there is no sense just letting all these empty buildings stand. They should be used for some purpose."

Commentary

Stewed prunes in bags

by K. Douglas Cook



Well, we're finally finished with September and it's about time! It's such a depressing month.

On the other hand, October's a great month! Neat things happen in October. Baseball season will finally be over and we can concentrate on America's national pastime, football.

It's only a month away from the annual, national food orgy—Thanksgiving—so we can start getting ready. I understand the Army's working on a new, more cost-effective breed of turkeys. They're featherless and have bread stuffing already built-in.

And, yes, there's the All-American Week, the Health Faire and the Combined Federal Campaign. But, the most important event, the one you've all been waiting for, the ultimate happening is only 30 days away from today.

I come from a very small place in New York. In fact, it's so small it's a village. Oh, they once thought of making it a town, but didn't want to spend the money to have the police car's sign repainted!

Yet, even back there, Halloween is a big deal! A whole day set aside to put things in your mouth to make dentists rich. An evening of ghosts, goblins, monsters, elves and other equally exciting things. A time to get a treat or play a trick.

As I recall, the best ever trick we played was when we took the Sullivan's outhouse out of their yard, carried it to the village square and put the mayor's office sign on it! Actually, the Sullivan's deserved it. They used to put warm, stewed prunes in our bags. My father didn't like the mayor, either.

Oh, October's also known for another great event. It's the annual "Maybe We'll Pay You" month. Fiscal Year 1982 begins this very day and the Army's supposed to be without any money in the checkbook. Back in D.C. they're flipping coins to see how long they should wait until they pass the money bills. Funny, they all act like October's such a surprise to them. Like it's a brand new month, just invented.

Come to think of it, maybe there is an explanation for this problem. Perhaps this is Washington's way of getting in the holiday mood. Maybe we should write the Sullivan family and tell them to send the stewed prunes to the capitol. I don't think Congress would ever move their outhouse. On the other hand...

Letters

Editor goes north to Alaska

The Star Presidian staff said goodbye this week to Jon Chelgren who had been serving as editor since early this year.

Prior to that he was one of the primary writers for the newspaper and was also responsible for publicizing the Presidio in other civilian and military publications.

During his brief tenure as editor, Jon completed the format change and modernization program which has brought much favorable comment from readers. He was also formally recognized by US Army Forces Command officials for journalistic excellence.

Equally important were the many news and feature articles written by him which brought

local, national and world wide attention to the Presidio. His coverage of the 1981 Interservice Basketball Championships was carried by virtually every major military news outlet in the world.

Presidio readers will be able to get another look at Jon's work in a feature on the Letterman Army Institute of Research which will be published in a future edition of Soldiers Magazine.

Joining his wife, Lori, who is already stationed in Alaska, Jon will become the editor of the newspaper at Ft. Richardson. The entire staff of the Presidio Public Affairs Office wish him the best of luck in his new assignment and thank him for the many contributions he made during the past two years.

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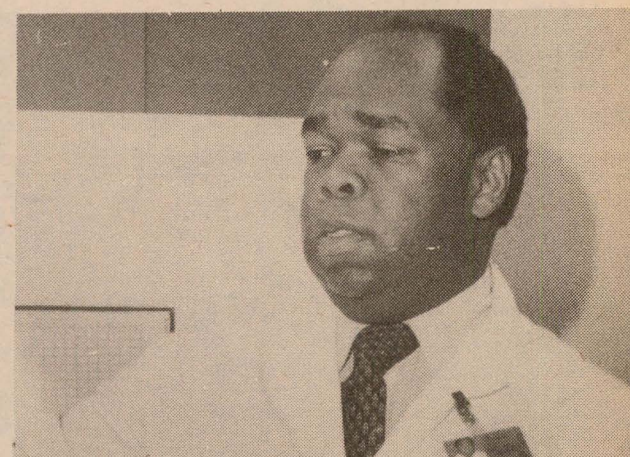
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Barbara Eckstrom
Administrative category winner



Judy Lew
Service to community runner up



Henry E.B. Watson
Equal Employment Opportunity winner

Federal employees of the year

Presidians honored for job efforts

Three members of the Presidio community placed first and three others finished as runners-up in the San Francisco Bay Area Federal Executive Board's 1981 Employee of the Year Awards program.

The six Presidians—four civilians and two military—were among 27 finalists in nine federal worker categories. They were honored Sept. 25 at a luncheon at the Presidio Officers' Club. Each category featured a winner and two runners-up.

Henry E.B. Watson, a supervisory chemist at Letterman Army Medical Center (LAMC) was selected top federal employee in the Equal Employment Opportunity category; Barbara Eckstrom, incentive awards administrator in the Presidio's Civilian Personnel Office, won the Administrative category; and Lt. Col. Bobby L. Gilbert, who has since retired as chief of the Occupational Therapy Department at LAMC, placed first in the Service to the Community Category.

Barbara E. Barnett, secretary of the LAMC commander, was selected as runner-up in the Clerical category; Sp5 Ricardo A. Pacheco, now serving in Korea but formerly soils analyst with the San Francisco District Corps of Engineers and training NCO for the 51st Engineer Detachment,

received runner-up recognition in the Professional category; and Judy M. Lew, a management assistant at LAMC, was selected runner-up in the Service to the Community Award.

The finalists in the awards program were judged by a "blue-ribbon" panel on their job efficiency self-improvement efforts and service to others.

Watson, for example, was recognized for his work as LAMC's EEO counselor and volunteer efforts as a scoutmaster, Big Brother and counselor for a program to aid minority youth in secondary education. Eckstrom was cited for her "innovative methods" resulting in the Presidio achieving a suggestion adoption rate 14 percent above the national average and generating \$6 million in tangible savings during 1980.

Gilbert's off-duty efforts to aid retarded individuals, handicapped children and arthritis patients and his inclusion in a listing of "Community Leaders and Noteworthy Americans" contributed to his first-place selection.

The "blue-ribbon" judging panel consisted of Judge John Dearman, San Francisco Superior Court, Patricia Taber, a Bank of America vice-president and Ronald Zachary, personnel services vice-president for Safeway stores.

Maj. Gen. Kenneth E. Dohleman, U.S. Sixth Army deputy commander, presented plaques to the winners and runners-up at the luncheon, which was attended by about 360 people. The San Francisco Bay area Federal Employee of the Year Awards program encompasses nine counties and more than 80,000 federal workers.

The luncheon's guest speaker was Mrs. Margaret O'Brien Thorsen, a former actress and current civilian aide to the Secretary of the Army.

From the 27 finalists in the nine categories, one was selected as the overall Federal Employee of the Year. This year's selection was the winner of the handicapped category, Vincent Rios, a civil rights technical specialist with the Department of Health and Human Services. Now confined to a wheelchair, Rios received two Bronze Star Awards for heroic achievement as a Marine in Vietnam. He was recognized for "devoting his time to organizations serving emotionally and socially disadvantaged individuals, Hispanics, veterans and to the San Mateo County Civil Service Commission."

With three winners and three runners-up, this was the Presidio community's best showing in the Bay area's Federal Employee of the Year program, according to the Presidio Civilian Personnel Office.

Can you
ignore
this story?

by K. Douglas Cook

There are 237 volunteer agencies who hope you'll read this story.

These agencies comprise those supported by the money you could contribute to keep them going. They range from service-oriented activities, such as the scouting program and the American Red Cross to programs which care for children and people who are stricken with catastrophic diseases.

The one thing they all have in common is you. They depend on you, your neighbor, your co-worker, your friends and millions of other people to keep them around to help.

Secretary of the Army John O. Marsh, Jr., kicked off the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) in Washington on behalf of the Army.

Marsh stressed the voluntary nature of the fund drive and spoke of the needs of those agencies which the CFC supports.

This year the Army has a goal of contributing \$1,005,000 to the CFC. The overall goal for the Department of Defense is set at \$3,581,547.

The driving force behind the Presidio's CFC drive is Lt. Col. John Burke of the Directorate of Reserve Components Support. In a short while, the various plans for this year's CFC program will be announced.

Golf tourney

The Third Annual Combined Federal Campaign Golf Tournament is set for Nov. 4 at the Presidio Golf Course, according to Col. Dick Blake,

tournament chairman. The tourney will begin with an 8:30 a.m. "shotgun" start.

In the past two tournaments, more than \$3000 has been raised to benefit the CFC.

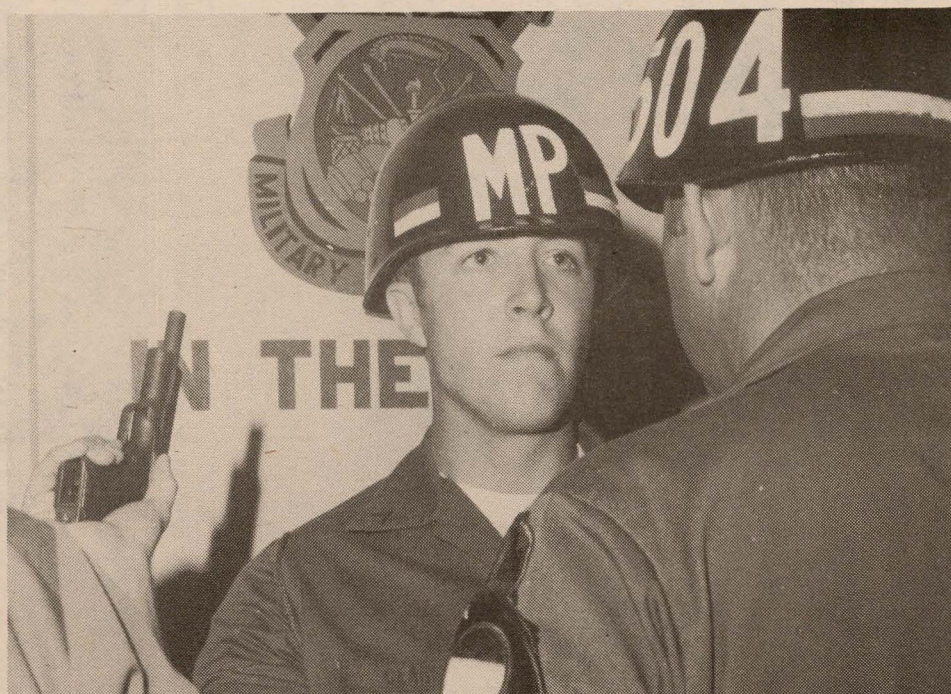
Blake indicates that the entry fee for this year's event will be \$25, which is tax deductible and includes a buffet lunch at the Presidio Golf Club following the tournament. Greens fees will be waived for non-members.

A total of 17 prizes will be awarded, including six in closest to the pin competition.

Sign-ups are being conducted at the Presidio Golf Club Pro Shop or with a variety of agency representatives throughout the Presidio.



Cooper makes a security check.



Pvt. 2 Jeffrey Clark is inspected by Cooper during a shift change.

MPs don't cop out

Story and photos by Dennis Moreland

"I've seen a lot of open posts before, but never one as open as this."

The above remark was made by SFC Joseph Cooper, one of the 200 or so military policemen tasked to safeguard the Presidio's peace and security.

By "open" he means the Presidio, unlike most other military installations, is accessible to just about anyone who wants to enter. And since the Presidio is noted for its scenic beauty and surrounded by freeways, thousands of civilians pass through everyday.

Ordinarily, the influx of sightseers

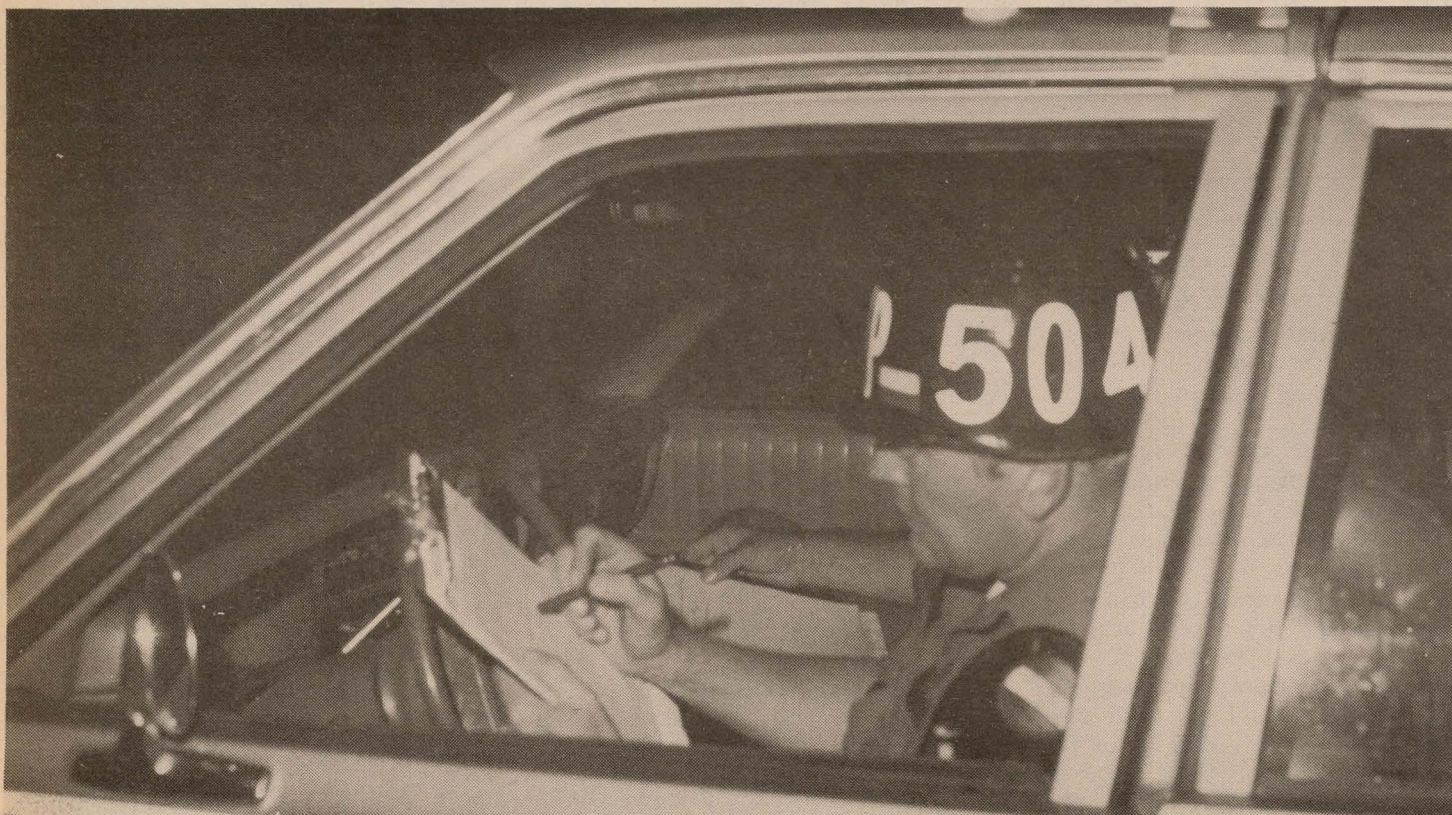
and commuters doesn't pose any special problems, according to SSgt. Floyd Harrison, the Provost Marshal's operations sergeant. It does sometimes make life more interesting, though. Last March, for example, an MP stopped a vehicle for minor traffic violation and ended up in a high-speed chase that netted \$100,000 worth of cocaine.

Traffic law enforcement is only a part of the 504th Military Battalion's job. Among other things, Presidio MPs provide security for post exchange activities, apprehend and escort AWOL soldiers, handle ceremonial functions such as retreat and are trained in riot control.

Of all his responsibilities, the one Cooper dislikes most is responding to a domestic disturbance. "I'd rather do just about anything else than intervene in fights between husband and wife," says the veteran of 18 years in the military police corps.

Some are surprised to hear Presidio MPs are responsible for Forts Mason, Baker and Cronkite, satellite installations in the San Francisco area. But their responsibility extends even further at times. A number of Presidio MPs are currently at Fort Chafee, Ark., providing security for Cuban refugees. Other MPs recently returned from providing security at Fort McCoy, Wis., a training center for National Guardsmen.

Already shorthanded due to transfers and discharges, Harrison says MPs being detailed to Fort Chafee means added work for those left behind. But because the Presidio is an open post, he at least doesn't have to worry about having enough troops to guard the gates.



Sgt. James Dowlan fills out a report.

Hamilton: a victim of technology

by K. Douglas Cook

Driving in the vicinity of Novato, Calif., some 30 miles north of the Presidio of San Francisco, one can't help but notice signs indicating Hamilton Air Force Base (AFB).

It was this base on the San Francisco Bay in Marin County which, until 1975, was the showcase of the Air Force. When the Army Air Corps outgrew the facilities of Presidio's Crissy Field, Hamilton became the new home for pioneering aviators.

It was from Hamilton that the famous flight of bombers which encountered the Japanese on Dec. 7, 1941 over Pearl Harbor departed. Countless pages of military aviation history were written at this base. When the Air Force was born after World War II, Hamilton continued its active life.

Then the world of aviation changed and, like Crissy Field before it, Hamilton AFB became a victim of technology. With a runway too short and a shift in priorities within the Air Force, the base became expendable.

Although a small part of Hamilton still is held by the 60th Air Force based at Travis AFB, it's no longer home to the thundering, tactical planes of the Air Force. To be absolutely correct, it's not even Hamilton AFB. It is, more correctly, the Department of Defense Housing Facility-Novato (DoDHF-Novato), although most still refer to it as Hamilton.

At present the base is controlled by the Navy

'I suspect the Navy wants a line officer here due to the rather unique situation'

although a myriad of governmental agencies have an interest in it as well. Cmdr. William Kauffman is the Officer-In-Charge of the facility, as the on-site administrator of the family housing areas which are located on the base proper and just to the west, across the freeway, at Rafael Village.

Kauffman is what the Navy terms a "Line" officer or an individual more usually found on the Navy's various ships rather than in an office.

"I suspect the Navy wants a line officer here due to the rather unique situation we have," says Kauffman. "We have military families from all services quartered here and, to make matters more interesting, the property has the attention of any number of other agencies, from the City of Novato all the way up to the State Department!"

The General Services Administration controls a good deal of the land, but the picture becomes less clear when present and future plans are addressed.

"The Fish and Wildlife Department has an interest in portions of Hamilton, but so does the State of California, so that's still to be resolved," says Kauffman. "Then there's the Housing and Urban Development people who want a portion for low-income housing... the City of Novato which has a park area and school grounds on Hamilton... the Public Health Service which has a clinic here... the Intergovernmental Committee on Migration which is supervising the resettlement of Vietnamese refugees has a portion of the base... the county of Marin... all the uniformed services... and add to this, the private developers who would like to build a shopping center and private homes on a portion of the base in the future!"

"However, to the people in uniform, Hamilton is a place to live while assigned to commands in the Bay Area. At present, there are 591 Navy, 19 Marine Corps, 290 Army, 275 Coast Guard and 43 Air Force families using Hamilton's housing facilities.

In addition, according to figures developed by Kauffman's staff, some 65 percent of the military retirees in the Bay area use Hamilton's base exchange and commissary.

"My job is fascinating," says Kauffman as he looks up to see a crowd of people waiting for him just outside his office, "and seldom boring!"

Training in Maine is not the same

Story and photos by Tim Dewar

A group of Presidians left Tuesday to join their mother battalion on route to some of the most realistic training they may ever receive.

Thirty two members of D. Co. 864th Eng. Bn. met with 125 members of C. Co. 864th Eng. Bn. from Ft. Lewis Washington on their way to Bangor Maine. They are to provide operational control for the 240th Eng. Group during operation Pine Tree.

The group will be training on land owned by a power company and will be using demolitions to remove trees that have been marked for cutting. "This can't be done in the Presidio area because of

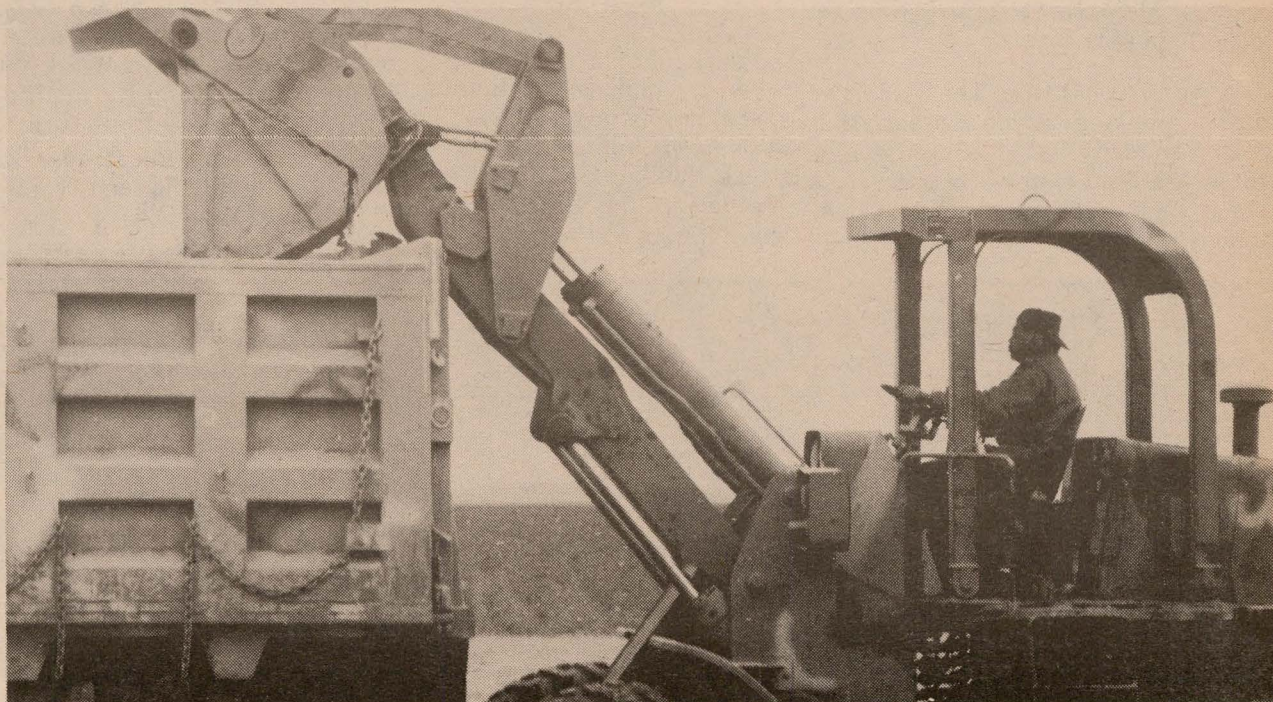
fire hazards or other restrictions," explains Capt. Brent Schumacher, 864th Eng. commander.

"This is unique for us because we will be able to actually cut down trees or use explosives to help us train for our wartime mission," Schumacher adds. They will also not have to clean up the trees or fill in the craters after they are finished, which will give them more time for training.

Schumacher noted, "during this time of the year in Maine, the weather is very much like that which we would encounter in Europe, so this adds even more realism to the training."

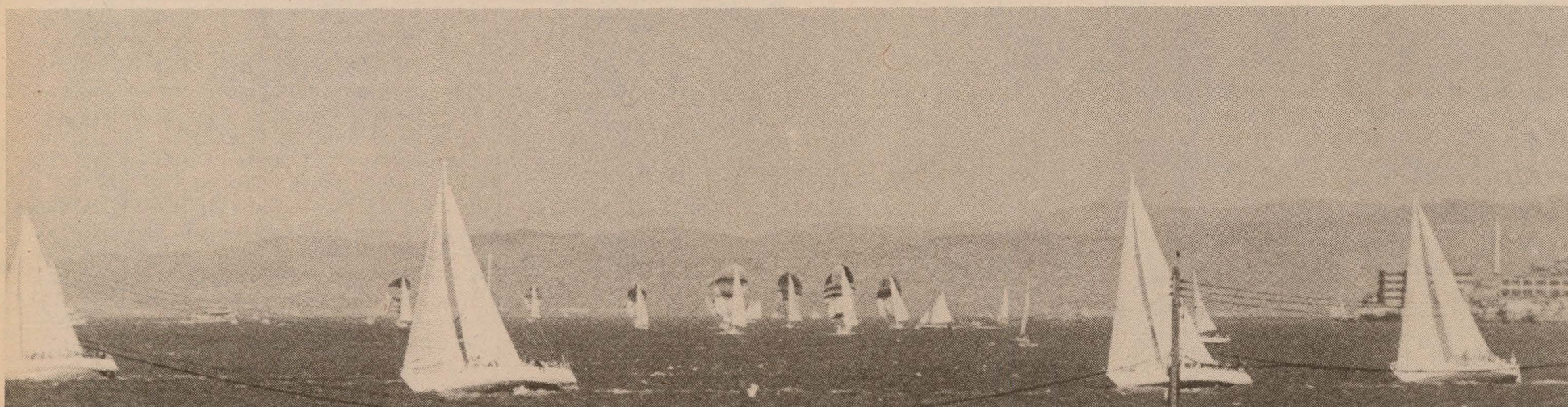


Sgt. Tim South uses a grader to level out a hole left by the removal of a bunker at Parks Reserve Forces Training Area.



Engineers will get a chance to work with combat engineer equipment that they can't normally use.

Time to spare



The nice weather recently has increased the sailboat activity on the bay.

photo by Tony Rose

So you'd like to get to know Marin

So you'd like to get to know "Marvey" Marin County better... but without spending an arm and leg to do it?

Set aside the notions that Marin County is found lurking on the other side of Waldo grade and tunnel, armed with abundant peacock feathers, hot tubs and drugs. Those are left-overs from almost 10 years ago and are probably more common in Mendocino County than Marin!

Sausalito and Larkspur may be nice, but you quickly come to the conclusion that the main reason for their existence is for tourists, hence not the "real" Marin County.

This adventure will, unfortunately, require a car as the bus service isn't all that great or regular. Take the Stinson Beach offramp from Route 101, either from the north or south and head for the hills. You'll wind your way into the western regions of Marin, past a variety of incredible sights.

A word of caution. The road narrows to two lanes as you approach the ocean, so drive very carefully and allow the lead-footers to pass you. The LAW in California is that, if five vehicles are behind you on a winding

road, you MUST pull off and allow them to pass. PERIOD!

You are on Route 1, heading north towards Stinson Beach. The first thing you'll notice is trees. Once the entire area of Marin County was covered by the beautiful stands of trees, including massive Redwoods.

Today, most of these trees can only be seen by driving through San Francisco and looking at the homes. Sadly, the ravages of lumbering without replanting took its toll in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

You'll see the western face of Mt. Tamalpais and the sheer grandeur of the coastline. It's breath-taking! Keep heading northwards and you'll hit Stinson Beach and Bolinas Bay. Stop at the beach and have a picnic lunch in the adjacent park. By the way, Marin's only "Clothing Optional" beach is immediately south of this point.

Back on the road heading north again, you'll enjoy Bolina lagoon immediately to your left. Then the road heads inland a bit, back to those trees. You'll make a right turn at Sir Francis Drake Blvd., which can be spotted by a restaurant on the corner.

Now you'll be heading east towards San Rafael. You'll pass through Samuel P. Taylor Park. Stop for a few minutes to enjoy it.

The final leg, staying on the same road, will bring you out through San Anselmo and into San Rafael on either 2nd or 4th Streets. Route 101, clearly marked, is straight ahead. Total trip time is about 6 hours. Take a map and enjoy!

Recreation Center News

Cake decorating class, is starting Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. and lasts for four weeks. Fee is \$20.00. Class size is limited so sign-up early.

Free contemporary dance classes will start on Wednesday, October 7, 1981 at 8:00 p.m.

Upcoming tours

Winery Tour, Saturday, Oct. 17, 1981, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. for \$10.00. This tour will head south and visit the Paul Masson Winery, the Novitiate Winery and the quaint little town of Los Gatos. Don't wait to sign-up!!!

Reno vacation—To thank those individuals serving our great nation, MGM-Reno is offering a special vacation package at a very low price.

All military personnel (active, retired, reserve, national guard, and government service employees can take advantage of this \$36 package throughout the month of December. (\$30 second night).

MGM-Reno's "Salute to the Military Package" includes:

- A spacious room for one night (Double or Single occupancy)
- The cocktail performance of Donn Arden's musical extravaganza "Hello Hollywood, Hello" plus three cocktails
- Two free bowling passes.
- One free breakfast.

The package is available from December 1, 1981 through December 29, 1981, subject to space available. In addition, MGM-Reno will contribute \$5 to each facility's morale and welfare fund for each room night utilized.

The complete package is available to adults, 21 years and older; however, there will be no additional room charge for accompanying children. For reservations call (702) 789-2000.

At the movies

Presidio Theater

Oct. 1	Scanners (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 2	Scanners (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 3	Bon Voyage Charlie Brown (G)	2 p.m.
Oct. 3	Battle Beyond The Stars (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 4	History of the World Part 1 (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 5	History of the World Part 1 (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 6	Force: Five (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 7	Middle-Age Crazy (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 8	The Empire Strikes Back (PG)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Oct. 1	Superman II (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 2	King of the Mountain (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 5	Scanners (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 6	Battle Beyond The Stars (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 7	History of the World Part II (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 8	Force: Five (R)	7 p.m.

Presidio Preview

Mel Brooks gives his version of the dawn of man, Nero's Rome, the Spanish inquisition and the French revolution. All are done with equal irreverence in History of the World Part I.

Tennis champs return

The Presidio's Nick Lapins and Gary Jones, both of Letterman Army Medical Center, returned from the 1981 Interservice Tennis Championship held Sept. 22-25 at Little Rock Naval Air Base, Va., with an outstanding showing.

Lapins capture the Junior Vets title by defeating the defending champ, the Air Force's Ben Vain, in straight sets, 6-1, 7-6 (7-1). He then combined with Jones, who was eliminated in the single's competition, to capture the Men's doubles title.

Overall, the Air Force captured the team title with 24 pts,

followed by the Army with 16 pts, the Navy with 11 and the Marines with one point.

The Sports Branch will conduct a double elimination singles racquetball tournament Oct. 23-25 to select a team to represent the Presidio in the 1982 FORSCOM Racquetball Championships at Fort Polk, in November. Active duty personnel assigned or attached to the Presidio interested in competing are urged to contact the Sports Branch or their Unit A & R Officer/NCO. Entries must be submitted by Oct. 16.

The 5th annual KNBR-Radio "Bridge-to-Bridge" Run will

take place on Sunday. The 8 mile course will include part of the Presidio. Over 8,000 runners are expected to take part.

To reach the finish line in Marina Green, the runners will run from the Embarcadero's Ferry Building to Fort Point and to the finish by way of Lincoln Blvd. and Mason Street, through the Marina Gate.

The 1981 DYA Basketball program will start Oct. 5 at Gym no. 2 building 1152. Those interested in competing in age groups 8-12, 13-16, are requested to contact Mr. Gaffney at 5328-2070. There also will be a clinic

Jimmy the Freak

As the Hawaiians say. . .



"Even though my 'upset of the week' was accurate, I was lucky to finish above 50% overall. I think that Pete Rozelle finally got his wish for parity—every team appears to be equally bad.

Anyway, here's this week's picks. If they don't work out, just remember what the Hawaiians say... "don't banga ma face, eh!"

Washington 20, San Francisco 17

The 'Skins will be rooted on by their loyal fans... 50,000 government employees waving handfuls of red tape. Washington wins the Boredom Bowl.

Minnesota 27, Chicago 17

Against the Rams, it looked like the Bears went into early hibernation. With Chicago's offense so inoffensive, the Vikings will grin and bear it.

Dallas 30, St. Louis 21

The Cowboys' defense will give the Cardinals the bird. Dallas went out and got a tiny little branding iron just for the occasion.

Giants 24, Green Bay 21

The Giants finally play someone on their own level... a step below competent.

Houston 27, Cincinnati 17

I really think that the Bengals were playing over their heads the last few weeks. Look for a big day for Earl Campbell, unless he can't play for laughing over the Bengals' silly-looking uniforms.

Pittsburgh 31, New Orleans 13

Does the bear sleep in the woods? If you think the Saints can win this one, you can call two cabs!

Cleveland 35, Los Angeles 27

A bit of irony in this game, since the Rams at one time played in Cleveland, about a generation ago. What does this mean for this game... absolutely nothing! Just thought that you'd like to know.

Detroit 20, Tampa Bay 10

If the Lions defense played like it did against the Raiders, the Bucs may wind up with—10 points. Besides, Doug Williams can throw a football from one end of the stadium to the other. Only trouble is, he can't hit any players in between.

Miami 27, New York Jets 13

The Jets played their one

good game of the year last week. If you think that the Jets can win this game, you must be awfully familiar with Uncle Zig Zag.

San Diego 40, Seattle 20

The Seahawks have two chances to win this game... slim and none.

Atlanta 27, Philadelphia 24

Closest game of the week. I'm picking the Falcons only because Howard Cosell likes the Eagles.

Denver 23, Oakland 20

The score would be reversed if the Raiders didn't have so many injuries. Denver's offense proves that sometimes it's better to be lucky than good.

Buffalo 30, Baltimore 28

Look for another really close score in this one. If the Bills look past the Colts to their big game next week against Miami, they could take one right in the shorts.

UPSET OF THE WEEK

Kansas City 27, New England 23

The Patriots won't have to fire the coach after this game. The team has gotten him so upset, he'll probably screw himself right into the field along the sidelines.

Sports Shorts

Post men's basketball

Try-outs for the Post Men's Basketball Team are currently being conducted at Gym 1, Bldg. 63, Monday thru Friday, at 6:30 p.m. Individuals interested in participating in the work-outs are urged to contact coach Robert Mabrey at ext. 5810. The team will be participating in the NORCAL Armed Forces Basketball League and play practice and tournament games throughout Northern California.

NORCAL bowling

A roll-off to select members of the 1981-82 Post NORCAL Bowling team will be conducted at the Presidio Bowling Center next week. Qualifying lanes, without exception, will be bowled on Oct. 5, 7, 8, 9, 12, and 14, starting at 1 p.m.

Roll-off will be limited to active duty military personnel assigned or attached to the Presidio. An established 1980-81 book average of 175 or better is required. For further information contact the Presidio Bowling Center, ext. 2080/5042.

Intramural bowling

Tuesday Intramural Standings		
Team	Won	Lost
USARMY IX	8	0
LAMC No. 1	6	2
Sixth Army	6	2
87th Ord Det	6	2
USACC	6	2
LAIR	2	6
504th MP Bn	2	6
INSCOM No. 1	2	6
INSCOM No. 2	2	6
LAMC No. 2	0	8

Post cross country

The 1981 Post Cross Country Championship race will be held at noon on Oct. 21 at the Main Gym. The race will cover 3.1 miles over rolling hills and trees. Awards will be presented to the top two military finishers in the various age groups. Runners can sign-up on race day or come to the main Gym during normal duty hours. For further information contact Robert Darling at ext. 5032/4120.

DYA basketball

The 1981 DYA Basketball program will be getting underway shortly, with sign-ups being conducted at the Ft. Scott Gym 3, Bldg 1226. In addition to accompanying their children, parents are requested to bring copies of birth certificates and a \$5.00 registration fee per child. The divisions are as follows:

Minor League (8-12)
Major League (13-16)
Junior League (17-18)

Those interested in coaching or officiating are requested to contact Karl Gaffney at ext. 5328/2070.

News Notes

Pre-separation seminar

The monthly Pre-separation Seminar will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 14 at the Ft. Scott Education Center, Bldg 1216, 1:30-4 p.m. All soldiers who plan to separate before Jan. 31, 1982 are invited to attend.

Topics covered will include VA benefits, schools, careers, Army Reserves, National Guard, ROTC, and other items of interest to the soldier leaving the Army. For further information contact Barbara Hug, ext 2974/4445 from 7:30-11:30 a.m.

Combined brunch

The Presidio Officers' Wives Club and the Letterman Women's Club will hold a combined brunch Oct. 8 at the Presidio Officers' Club. The juice bar begins at 9:30 a.m. The program will feature Helen Sobol of Images of the North and Lynn Bergen from Pier 39 Quilts. Reservations must be made by Oct. 5, by calling Martha Stevenson at 563-6259.

Sign-ups for DYA bowling

Signups are under way for the DYA Youth Winter Bowling League. To sign up contact SSG Reggie King Jr, Bowling Coordinator at ext. 3664/4113.

Aquarius swim team

Aquarius Swim Team needs you. A recruit swim meet will be held at Letterman's Pool on Oct. 9 from 4-6 p.m. Please come join the team. For information call 567-8159. Active and retired dependents from 8 to 18 years of age are welcomed.

Unauthorized mechanics

The Provost Marshal reminds Presidians that it's unauthorized to work on vehicles anywhere on post except in the auto crafts shop.

SSgt. Floyd Harrison, MP operations sergeant, says doing auto repair work in the housing and barracks areas represents a safety hazard and is unsightly.

Parent/Youth club

The Presidio Parent/Youth Club is holding its monthly Parent Meeting on Oct. 8 at 7:30 in Bldg. 908. For further information contact Joan Mosco at ext. 3987 or Phyllis Bolin at ext. 4834.

Wives club meeting

The Presidio Enlisted Men's Wives Club will have its monthly board meeting on October 5 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting is held at the Log Cabin, all new members are welcome.

Commissary anniversary

The Presidio Commissary will celebrate its fifth anniversary under Central Management by offering outstanding bargains to patrons throughout the month of October.

To highlight the occasion, "The Anniversary Saleabration," many deep voluntary price reductions (VPR's) will be featured. Among some of the special VPR's are canned tuna, coffee, tomato sauce.

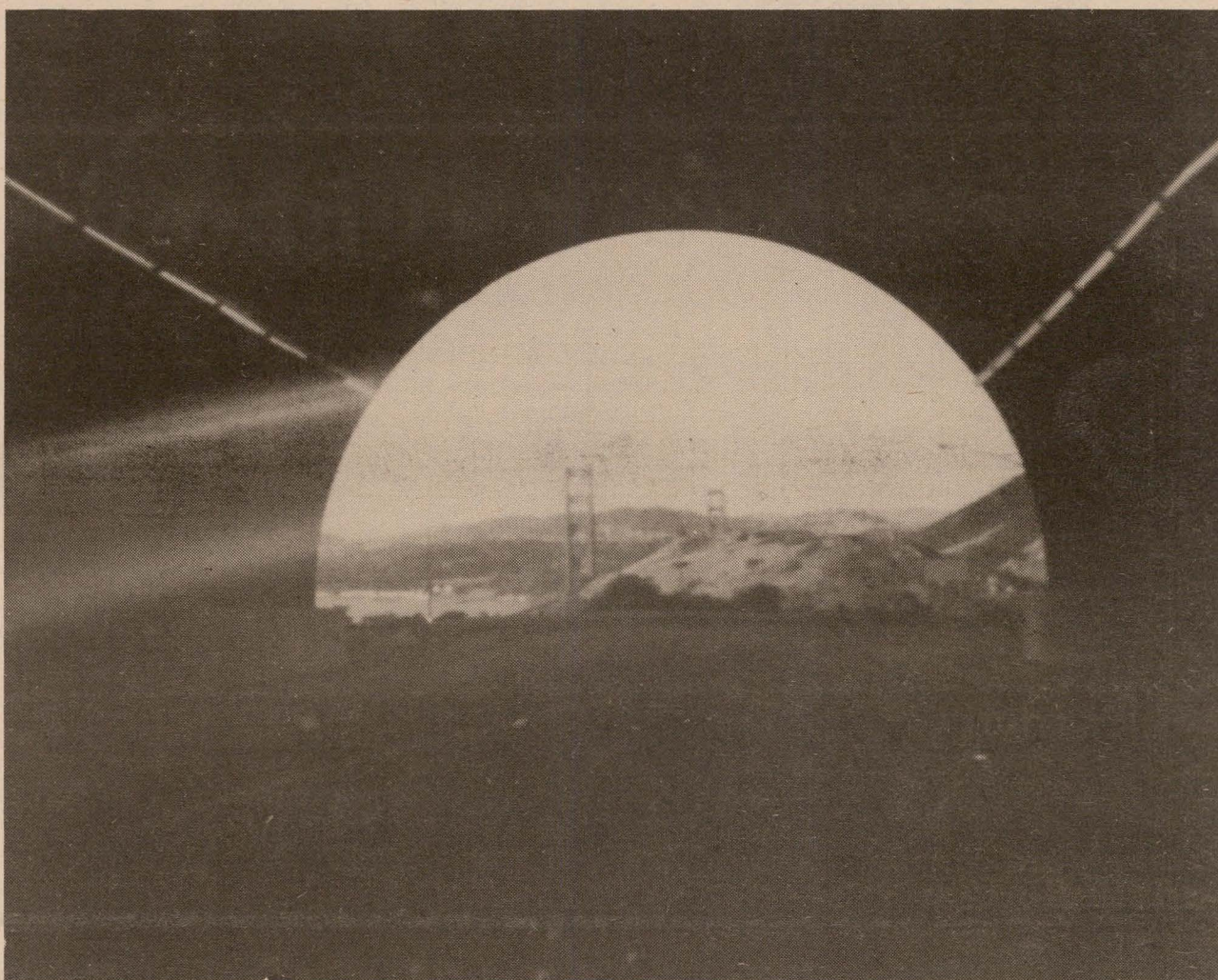


Photo of the Week

This week's Photo of the Week winner, Lois Dyckman seems to have tunnel vision. To be eligible for the Photo of the Year competition, pictures must have been taken by active duty, retired, DoD civilians or their dependents.

Giving the Saleabration pizzaz will be numerous in-store demonstrations, sampling products, offers of contests and sweepstakes and special product couponing."

Promotion point recomp

Recomputation of promotion points for all E-4's will begin in October while the same will occur for E-5's in November, according to COMPACT's CWO Craig Lee.

Lee urges all people looking for promotion to review their records for any additional points which may not now be reflected. If you are eligible for additional points or have a question, contact your unit's Personnel Services NCO.

Life saving class

The American Red Cross will be conducting a Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) class Oct. 15 and 20. The classes will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Call the Red Cross office at ext. 2187 to sign up.

Influenza shots

All active duty personnel, dependents of active duty, retired service members, and DoD civilians will be given influenza immunizations during regular duty hours in the Immunization Clinic located on the first floor of bldg. 1016, Room 113.

lians or their dependents. All eligible first, second and third place finishers from the Photo of the Quarter competition will be considered. The winner will be announced in December.

Girl scouts needed

All girls between the ages of 6-18 interested in joining the Presidio Girl Scouts can register Saturday between 10 a.m. and noon at bldg. 566, located directly across the street from the Thrift Shop. There will be a small fee charged.

Credit Union opens

An "experimental" branch of the Pentagon Federal Credit Union will open in Letterman Army Medical Center Oct. 6.

The branch, located in room 335, will be open from 1 to 4 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays. Kathy Manuel, branch manager, says the facility will offer a wide range of services, including savings deposits, loan payments, and new account openings. All transactions, however, must be made by check or money order. No cash transactions will be conducted, she emphasized.

She explained the branch is experimental because its continued operation depends on how well the branch is patronized. She said the hours will be expanded if the response is good.

The credit union branch, Manuel said, is being opened as a convenience for Lettermen patients and workers, who may have difficulty getting to the credit union's main branch located in building 229.

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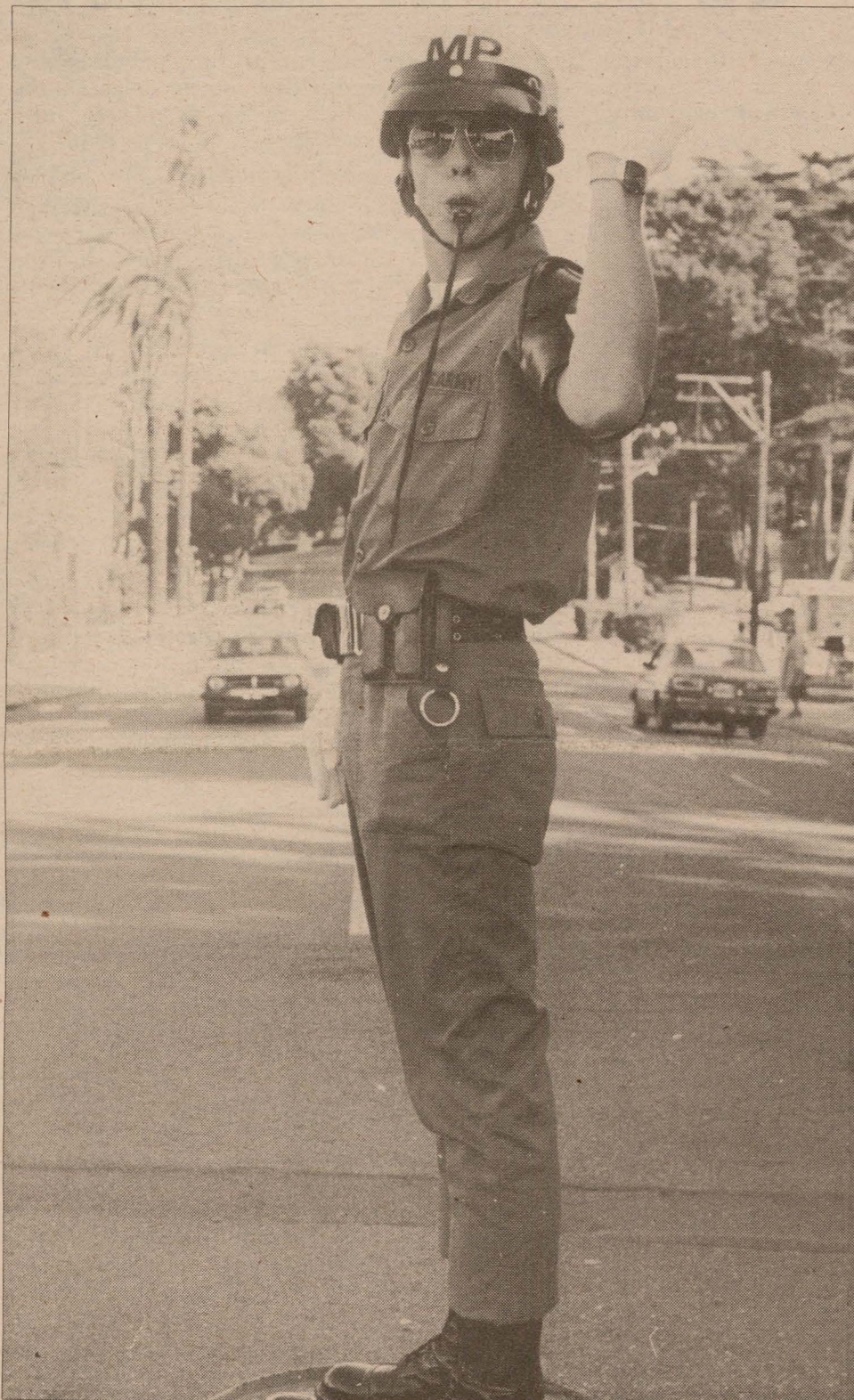


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Roads well-traveled

Cpl. Dave Gile directs traffic on Lincoln Blvd. A military police survey conducted Sept. 12-20 indicates the Presidio's roads are well-traveled. On weekdays, an average of 20,129 vehicles pass through the Presidio's seven gates during a 24-hour period, according to the survey.

Field grade

New duty policy for the Presidio

A new policy released this week by post commander Col. F. Whitney Hall aims to bring better awareness to life and activities on the Presidio.

The policy statement, addressing the responsibilities of the Field Officer of the Week, (FOW), sets forth new and revised actions the assigned officer must accomplish during the week-long tour of duty.

Among the duties of the FOW are:

- A regular check and on-the-spot corrections for unauthorized personnel using post facilities, improper military appearance or courtesy and post cleanliness, both during and after duty hours.
- Checks of both the officer and NCO clubs after dark.
- Inspection of post company barracks areas in the evening and on weekends to include the performance of the Charge of Quarters personnel.
- Check of the post cafeteria dur-

ing duty hours to insure the quality of service and food. Also to insure personnel using the facility are in proper uniform and authorized to be there.

• Check of the post commissary, exchange, bowling alley, craft shop and COMPACT.

The FOW will also be eating at least two meals in unit dining facilities, one of which must be a noon meal in the garrison dining facility, Bldg. 101 or 504th Military Police facility in Bldg. 1218.

Another new program for the Presidio is the addition of a Sergeant Major of the Week where senior-most enlisted personnel stationed on the post will be tasked to provide supervisory and inspection coverage of the entire Presidio area to include housing areas located at Ft. Mason, Cronkhite and Baker. The role of the Sergeant Major of the week on the Presidio will be highlighted in a future edition.

CFC kickoff slated

Ceremonies to kickoff the 1981 Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) at the Presidio will be held Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. on the parade field in front of Building 38. The ceremonies will feature the Sixth Army Band and a number of guest speakers. All are invited to attend.

Everyone also is invited to contribute to the drive, which will run six weeks. CFC keyworkers have been appointed and will be contacting post military and civilian personnel.

Contributions to CFC help support

301 national, international and local agencies. Donations, which can be made in cash, by check or through monthly payroll deductions, can be designated to support a specific agency.

CFC officials emphasize that participation in the drive is strictly voluntary. This year's CFC goal in the Bay Area is \$1.7 million.

In remarks to CFC keyworkers, Col. F. Whitney Hall, Presidio commander, said contributing to the drive "is a way of showing we care for other citizens less fortunate than ourselves."

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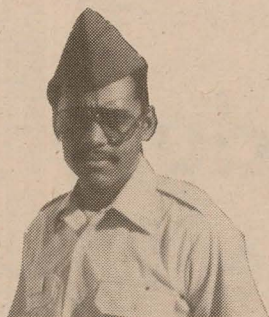
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Opinion

Ramblin' Sam

What would you like to see changed on the Presidio?

"There should be something staying open later than six o'clock around here. If you want to get something to eat or do some shopping, you have to go off post.

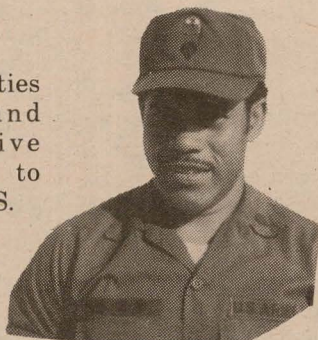


Pvt. 2 Hudson McGee, LAMC



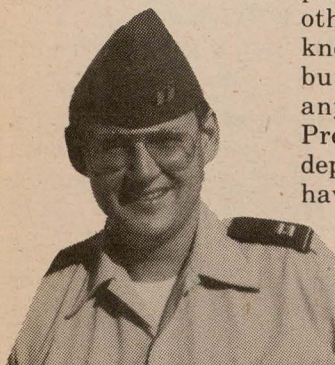
Sgt. Peggy D'LA Veccio, LAIR

"Stop all of the duties like funerals and parades. Also, give soldiers a chance to work in their MOS.



Sp5 Sal Siania, DPCA

"This is paradise compared to some of the other places I've been. I know it sounds crazy but they don't come any better than the Presidio. I guess it just depends on where you have been before."



Capt. Douglas Smith, Comptroller

Commentary

They don't want to visit

by K. Douglas Cook



I hope you will tear this commentary out of this edition of the **Star Presidian**... after you finish reading it.

Tear it out. Give it to a friend, post it on a wall, read it to your family.

No, it has nothing to do with me, directly, but it may have a lot to do with you and those you care for or love!

This week is Fire Prevention Week in America. Now, no firefighter is going to come by your office or home and ask for any money. On the contrary, I bet if I know my buddies over at the main fire house, they'd probably give you something special IF you would make them two promises.

If you'd promise them that you will never cause a fire through carelessness, neglect or laziness AND if you would promise that everyone you work with or live with knows what to do to prevent a fire and what to do in the event of a fire—well, I'm certain they'd have something for you in return.

Now, how do you collect? Simple. Call or drop by the local fire station and ask them for information

on how you can prevent fire in your office and home. Then, remember this number: 5656. On the Presidio, to get help in an emergency (any emergency, by the way), the number is **5656!**

Fires kill people. Fire doesn't care whether you're a general or a private, a GS-18 or a GS-1, a wage-grade, a temporary employee, a tourist or from Mars! You can be wealthy, poor, tall, thin, attractive or plain. A fire in your office or home will kill you.

When you see a fire starting, time is running out. The more time you waste, the more chance someone will suffer. Please remember that emergency number on the Presidio. Write it down, commit it to memory, make sure everyone knows it.

5656. If you live off post or in other areas, find out what the emergency number is and don't forget it!

Oh, what will you get from the Presidio firefighters if you make them those promises and keep them? Well, you'll get a smile and a sincere thanks. But, you'll also get one more thing too. You'll get their promise that, if you ever do need them, regardless of the day or time, they'll be there to help.

So, what are you waiting for?

Letters

Editor,

Last Thursday evening, Oct. 1, I was attending a meeting in the Anza Room of the Presidio Officers' Club. By mistake I left a swagger stick sitting on a window ledge of the room and, when I discovered it was not with me, it couldn't be located. I've checked with the officers' club several times since then and it's nowhere to be found.

The swagger stick is about 30 inches long with brass shell casings at both ends. It has a leather carrying thong attached through a hole. It is mahogany-colored and has the following inscription on it:

Major W.R. Cohen
TIZI OUZOU
Nov. 5, 1943

The stick really doesn't have much market value and I doubt if anyone could sell it for much. However, it's been with me for about 38 years and it holds a great deal of personal value.

Is there anything you could do to help me recover a lost friend?

William R. Cohen
Colonel, USA, Retired

Col. Cohen,

All we can do is publish this for you and hope that someone has found your swagger stick and understands how much it means to you. If someone does find it, they can call us at 561-3908 or drop it by our office in Building 37, room 205.

Editor

Residents of Bldg. 1206

The Facilities Engineer is fully cognizant of the condition of the latrines in the 1200 Area Barracks and has directed the Engineering Plans and Services Chief to perform a complete field investigation in order to prepare a project for maintenance and repair of all deficiencies in the barracks.

The work order for repairs to the ceiling and the door to the latrine in Bldg. 1206 has been designated a priority job. Materials are on order and the work will be accomplished as soon as the materials are received.

Billets for the military are designated priority one by the Facilities Engineer.

Facilities Engineer

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Disabled workers help Presidio

by Dennis Moreland

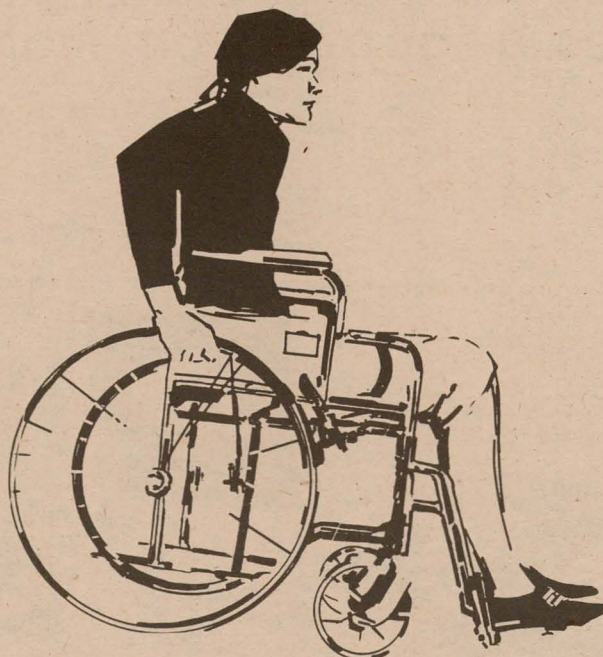
Two kinds of barriers often prevent disabled persons from entering the work force: architectural and attitudinal. With the construction of a wheelchair ramp or other modifications in the work area, architectural barriers can be eliminated without much trouble. Not so with barriers based on attitude, which can be erased only when employers change their thinking about the disabled.

Breaking down attitude barriers is the purpose behind 1981 being declared International Year of Disabled Persons and Oct. 4-10 being designated Employ the Handicapped Week. Both President Reagan and Secretary of the Army John Marsh have endorsed the drive to recognize the value of handicapped workers.

In a proclamation, the President said the 35 million Americans who are disabled "represent one of our most underutilized national resources. Their will, spirit and hearts are not impaired, despite their limitations."

Secretary Marsh emphasized that "all individuals who have a handicap should have the right to live as independently as possible with full opportunities in all phases of life." He further directed major commands "to develop a plan for employing, training, counseling and other activities designed to assist the disabled in making use of their skills to achieve our mission."

Locally, about 325 disabled persons are using their skills to help the Presidio and its activities accomplish their missions, according to Judy Kupbens, a personnel staffing specialist in the Civilian Personnel Office here. Kupbens says that figure represents about 10 percent of the Presidio com-



munity's civilian work force. Efforts are underway, she adds, to recruit and hire more disabled persons.

Jan Garcia, CPO's Handicapped Employment Coordinator, says finding qualified and willing disabled persons is not a problem. But overcoming the attitude barriers of activity managers and supervisors — those who do the actual hiring — is sometimes an obstacle.

"Some managers and supervisors are reluctant to hire the disabled," Garcia says. "Either they've had a bad experience with a disabled worker or don't have the time or patience to work with one. A disabled person sometimes requires more effort

on the part of a supervisor."

However, she observes "Supervisors who have had one or two (disabled persons) work out well are more likely to hire another." What's more Garcia says the handicapped generally are excellent workers "because they've had to try harder most of their lives."

She also notes the Bay Area's 1981 Federal Employee of the Year was Vincent Rios, a Vietnam veteran now confined to a wheelchair.

Because they can't compete under normal Civil Service requirements, the Federal government has developed a number of special programs to facilitate the hiring of the disabled. Under what is called "Schedule A authority," for example, the disabled do not have to take exams, be placed on job registers or meet other criteria, says Garcia. They simply must be able to do the job without harming themselves or others and be certified by a state vocational rehabilitation agency or, in the case of a disabled veteran, the Veterans Administration.

The severity of the handicap usually determines the kind of job a disabled person is hired to fill. At the Presidio or its activities, Garcia says disabled persons are working in clerical positions, as computer programmers and medical transcribers.

Several applications from disabled persons are now on file, says Garcia. She encourages supervisors who have a job vacancy to consider filling it with a disabled person. She says many of the Presidio's architectural barriers have been modified, and thinks it's time the same happened to the attitude barriers.

Starting Nov. 2

AAFES to operate all Clothing Sales

Starting Nov. 2 all military clothing will be sold only in the Army Military Clothing Sales Store in Bldg. 230.

Beginning next month, all clothing sales outlets will come under the management of the Army Air Force Exchange System (AAFES). Exchange officials are optimistic that the change will improve service to customers.

The merger between AAFES and the Defense Personnel Support Center (DPSC) will allow comparison shopping. Items that were formerly marketed by the two agencies in separate outlets, will now be side by side in one facility.

Presidio Clothing Sales Store officials report that the new set-up should not affect the delivery schedule of military merchandise. AAFES produced items are normally available several months in advance

of the standard military issue items produced by DPSC.

Exchange sources announced last week that the new black all-wool pullover sweater will be available in stateside exchanges next month. The sweater is authorized for wear with the green service uniform trousers, slacks or skirts.

A necktie or tab must be worn with the long sleeved grey green shirt but is optional with the short sleeved version. It also may be worn as an outer garment or under the black windbreaker and all-weather coat. The sweater will be sold for \$25.

The new battledress camouflage uniform (BDU) will also be available in clothing sales outlets in November. Active duty soldiers who are not issued BDU's are required to have at least two sets by Oct. 1, 1982. Price for the cap, shirt and trousers is \$37.75.



Maj. Thelma Hasler checks over military clothing

photo by Tim Dewar

Readership

Star Presidian rates a 'good' from majority in post survey

The 1981 **Star Presidian** newspaper readership survey is history. We on the staff have carefully tabulated the results.

We've elected to bring the findings to you in this manner rather than by printing graphs and other equally boring statistical gimmicks.

First the general data about you who responded to our survey. You are an average of 36 years old. If you're an officer, your average rank is Major. If enlisted, you're a Staff Sergeant. You civilian employees average out to a GS-6 level.

To make this more understandable, let's take 1,000 people and show what we discovered about how you feel about us.

We asked how often you read the **Star Presidian**. 630 of you read every issue. 320 read most issues. 30 seldom read the paper while 20 of you don't ever read the paper.

How reliable are we as a news source? Well, 420 said regularly. 490 feel sometimes is a better answer. 50 rarely believe what they read in the paper and 40 don't believe a word we print!

As for how much of this newspaper do you read, 440 read all of it. 410 read most of the paper. 110 take a look at about half while those reading less than half or none of the paper totaled 20 each.



photo by Tim Dewar

Insightful responses

We asked you about amounts of news in the paper under various major topics. You responded with insight and vigor!

720 felt we are about right in the military news category while 50 of you felt there was too much and 230 felt there was too little.

The subject of sports drew 580 about right responses with 310 saying too much and 110 saying not enough.

Community news placed 570 voters in the about right category. 380 felt more was needed and 50 told us too much was present.

On the matter of travel, 30 wanted less while 440 wanted more. 530 indicated things were just right.

Topical and controversial issues drew some reactions. 510 felt this subject coverage was about right. On the other hand, 360 respondents wanted more and 130 preferred less.

Our opinion page, editorials and commentaries drew the most comment. 640 of you who completed the survey checked about right. 180 definitely want less and 180 want more.

Features about right

600 felt features are about right for the paper. 360, however, want more while 40 replies indicated less.

Our coverage of ceremonies also drew comments. 730 feel we're about on the mark. 150 of you feel we go too far. Although 120 indicated there should be more.

The subject of current affairs drew 660 responses in the about right column, 270 in the not enough area and 70 on the too much side.

We were a bit surprised when we came to the next two questions. The first asked what we should cover **more** of in your newspaper. 300 of you indicated military and DA civilian news. 40 want more sports, 260 want more community news, 30 want more travel, 160 feel more topical and controversial issues, 40 want more editorials and commentaries, 70 checked more features, 40 want more award and ceremony stories and, finally, 60 of you want more current affairs in the paper.

On the other hand, when we asked what we should do **less** of in the **Star Presidian**, here's what you told us. 100 of you want less military and

DA civilian news. 150 want less sports, no one wants less community news and the same goes for feature material. 120 checked off less travel, 210 indicated less topical and controversial issue stories, 110 opted for less editorials and commentaries. 170 for less award and ceremony articles and another 140 felt they wanted less current affairs printed.

The final opinion questions dealt with how you feel, in general, about this newspaper. You rated the subject of our photography as follows: 190 ticked off the excellent block, 640 felt the word good fit better. 120 only see it as fair while 50 of you think it's downright poor.

On the subject of our appearance, 710 indicated it is good. 160 checked excellent, 100 fair and 30 of you marked off poor as your answer.

Opinions welcomed

And on the matter of overall rating, including everything you see in the **Star Presidian**, 100 of you feel the newspaper is excellent. 160 feel it's only fair and another 30 told us it was poor. 710 checked off good.

Finally, for every 1000 readers computed in this survey, 650 are presently on active duty. 20 are in the reserve components. 170 fit the DA civilian slot with 70 of each 1000 being dependents and 90 being retired military.

So, we've learned a lot about those who read the **Star Presidian** and those who don't. To all of you who responded, we offer our thanks, whatever your opinions. We will do another survey in the summer of 1982, but don't think you have to wait until then to give us an opinion or suggestion.

Call us during normal duty hours at 561-3908 and we'll be glad to listen. After all, you're the reason we're doing what we do!

Who responded?

Average age was 36.

Average pay grades were O-4 for officers,

E-6 for enlisted and

GS-11 for civilians.

Hall presents 13 awards to post playhouse

"Gypsy," the Presidio entry in the FORSCOM theater arts competition, was presented with the 13 awards it won in the contest.

Col. F. Whitney Hall, Presidio commander, presented the awards earned by the 68-member cast and crew.

Among the awards won by the troupe were best musical play, best director (Donald Hess) and best leading actress in a musical play (Ann Homrig-Haussen).

The Presidio also finished second in the installation awards for best overall music and theater performance.

"Gypsy" played at the Presidio Playhouse for four weeks, but no return engagement is planned.



The cast of 'Gypsy'.

US Army photo

Two units plan a post chili cook-off

by K. Douglas Cook

Two events scheduled to happen during the upcoming All-American Week festivities may have something in common.

The 51st Engineer Detachment and Letterman Army Institute of Research are teaming up to present the "American" portion of the celebration.

Sgt. Al Rankin of the 51st Engineers says this year will be special. "We have a lot of things planned, but two of them really get things moving!"

On Thursday, Oct. 22, the opening day of All-American Week, the 51st and LAIR will present the "First Great All-American Chili Cookoff!" Beginning at noon, anyone who wants to enter the contest should be present to have their special chili judged.

"We are selecting five judges for the first cookoff," says Rankin. "Their identities will be kept secret until the day of the judging as we want to insure their safety!"

Anyone who wants to enter can do so by calling the 51st at 561-3216 or 561-4326 during normal duty hours. Three trophies will be awarded to those selected by the judges as having the best All-American chili.

Post fire officials have not confirmed any plans to have a pumper with water standing by in the event the judges need assistance!

The next event scheduled by the 51st and LAIR is held on Thursday beginning at 2 p.m. by the Centennial Tree next to the main activity area. It's the "Great All-American 5 Mile Unmarathon." Open to all comers, there will be a trophy for the winner in the male and female categories.

Registration closes at 1 p.m. the day of the unmarathon and the start/finish line is the Centennial Tree area.

Also opening on Thursday, Oct. 22 will be the Health Faire in building 104 across from the All-American Week area.

Health fair

Letterman Army Medical Center and the Presidio of San Francisco will conduct a health fair Thursday and Friday, Oct. 22 and 23, at Bldg. 104 on the Presidio. The health fair will be part of the Presidio's All-American Week activities.

Health screening tests and health education books and displays will be available to active duty and retired military personnel and their families, and all Department of Defense civilian employees.

The basic health screening program will include a lung capacity test, an eye test for glaucoma, a hearing test, a foot examination, and skin cancer screening.

As part of the health education program, the Presidio Fire Department will display emergency medical equipment, the Presidio Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention Program will staff an information booth, and a Letterman dietitian will be available for counselling on nutrition and weight control.

The following agencies will also provide health education assistance: the University of the Pacific School of Dentistry, the Northern California Society for the Prevention of Blindness, Sickle Cell Anemia Research and Education, Inc., the Hypertension Council, the California College of Podiatric Medicine, the American Diabetes Association, the San Francisco Chapter of the American Lung Association, the American Trauma Society, the San Francisco Commission on Aging, the American Cancer Society, and the Arthritis Foundation.

The health screening tests are not specifically diagnostic of medical problems. As screening tests, they are designed to warn people of potential medical problems. People undergoing screening tests will be counselled on their test results, and any necessary followup attention will be recommended.

The health fair will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days. Building 104 is one of a long row of red brick buildings on Montgomery Street, near the main parade field.

Post chapel announces new changed schedule

The Fort Scott Sunday Protestant congregation will hold its worship service at 10:15 a.m. starting Sunday.

Another change involves the congregation's children's church, which has been expanded to include children three-years-old and younger. This age group can be taken

to the children's church at 10:15 a.m. Church for children in older age ranges will start about 45 minutes later.

The times and locations of other religious activities on post remain the same. Protestant worship services are conducted at 9 a.m. Sunday at the Fort Baker and post chapels,

and at 11 a.m. Sunday at the post chapel.

Catholic masses are offered at the Chapel of Our Lady daily at 11:35 a.m., at 5 p.m. on Saturday and at 9 and 11 a.m. on Sunday. Mass is offered at the Fort Scott chapel at 12:30 p.m. Sunday.

Jewish services are conducted at

4:30 p.m. Fridays at the Letterman Army Medical Center Chapel.

Religious education classes are held at the Religious Activities Center at 8:45 and 11 a.m. Sunday.

For further information about religious activities, contact the post chapel at 561-4719.

Time to spare

Folk festival across the Golden Gate

The Seventh Western Regional Folk Festival is scheduled for Oct. 11 and 12 at Fort Barry/Cronkhite in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area. Nearly 20 acts, representing folk music from several nations, are slated to perform.

Some of the acts set to appear include: Aniceto Batista and Joe Nunes (Portuguese), the Louisiana Playboys (Black Cajun), Rose Maddox (Country and Western), and Los Trovadores de la Costa (Mexican/American Jarocho).

To get to the festival site from the Presidio, follow Route 101 north over the Golden Gate Bridge and take the first exit. Signs will lead to the festival area.

The festival, which is designed to highlight California's diverse folk and cultural heritage, also features workshops, photo exhibits, folk crafts and films.

A Day Hike in the Marin Headlands, guided by a National Park Service Naturalist on Oct. 24, will cost \$2 (payable upon sign-up). Active duty, dependents (12 years of age and up), retired military, reservist and DoD civilian personnel are eligible.

Space is limited, sign-up not later than Oct. 20. Trip participants will meet at Outdoor Recreation, Bldg. 92 at 7:30 a.m. Oct. 24. Transportation will be provided to Cronkite Beach where the guided nature hike begins along the Pacific Coast.

Bring a bag lunch or "pay-your-own-way". Lunch can be purchased at the Pelican Inn, Muir Beach. Participants will be transported back to Outdoor Recreation, Bldg. 92 between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m., weekdays.

Authorized individuals checking out and returning RV's, recreation trailers, boats with trailers, etc., must pick up and return equipment NOT LATER THAN 3 p.m., Monday through Friday. Individuals renting

equipment are reminded that it is the users responsibility to return equipment on time.

Double rental fees go into effect on all rental equipment the day following the due-in date. Extensions will be granted up to a maximum of 14 days, however extensions will not be permitted unless the user calls Outdoor Recreation at ext. 4324 to extend.

Reservations for Town House, House and Condominium in the Lake Tahoe Area are taken between 8:30 and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. For additional information call Outdoor Recreation, ext. 4324 or come by Bldg. 92.

Ski Orientation Classes on safety and maintenance will be conducted by Outdoor Recreation for the month of October as follows:

- Oct. 20 at 5 p.m., Bldg. 92, Outdoor Recreation
- Oct. 22 at noon, Bldg. 92, Outdoor Recreation
- Oct. 27 at noon, Bldg. 92, Outdoor Recreation
- Oct. 29 at 5 p.m., Bldg. 92, Outdoor Recreation

Authorized individuals who anticipate checking-out ski's from Outdoor Recreation **must** attend one session prior to checking-out ski's. Personnel who attended a class last year are not required to attend.

Visit an old-fashion Italian bazaar Friday through Sunday at SS Peter and Paul's Church Hall, 666 Filbert, opposite Washington Square.

As part of the Columbus Day celebration, this old world "Festa Columbo" will feature 25 food, game and handicraft booths, prizes and fun for all ages.

The annual children's art contest and exhibit of "Columbus Theme" artwork by local school children grades one through eight will be part of the festivities on Friday from 7-9 p.m.



Walt Disney World

Ten years of fun and fantasy for more than 125-million visitors will culminate in a year-long celebration for Walt Disney World. Highlighting the Tencennial festivities at Walt Disney World is a specially developed Tencennial Parade saluting each of the happy lands in the Magic Kingdom. For information call the Rec Center at ext. 2000.

The bazaar will be open to the public free of charge from 7 to 10 on Friday night and from 1 to 10 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

Spaghetti and meatball dinners

will be served Saturday and Sunday at \$3.50 for adults and \$2 for children. Senior citizens will be offered this hearty dinner for half-price only on Saturday from 1-4 p.m.

At the movies

Presidio Theater

Oct. 8	The Empire Strikes Back (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 9	The Empire Strikes Back (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 10	Freewheelin' (G)	2 p.m.
Oct. 10	The Elephant Man	7 p.m.
Oct. 11	For Your Eyes Only (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 12	For Your Eyes Only (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 13	For Your Eyes Only (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 14	The Big Brawl (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 15	High Risk (R)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Oct. 8	Force: Five (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 9	Middle-Age Crazy (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 12	Arthur (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 13	The Elephant Man (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 14	For Your Eyes Only (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 15	For Your Eyes Only (PG)	7 p.m.

Presidio Preview

Dudley Moore is an alcoholic whose search for the meaning of life isn't really helped by his inheriting a \$750 million fortune.

Sports

Sports Shorts

Post men's basketball

Try-outs for the Post Men's and Women's Basketball Teams are currently being conducted at Gym 1, Monday-Friday, at 5:30 p.m. Individuals interested in participating in the work-outs are urged to contact coach Robert Mabrey at ext. 5810. The team will be participating in the NORCAL Armed Forces Basketball League and play practice and tournament games throughout Northern California.

DYA Basketball

The 1981 DYA Basketball program is now underway, at Gym 2, Bldg 1152. Those still interested in competing in age groups 8-12, 13-16, are encouraged to contact Mr. Gaffney at ext. 5328/2070.

There will be a clinic for all players, coaches, officials, and interested patrons at Gym 2, conducted by Coach Wilson from San Francisco State University, from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Intramural Bowling

"Standings"

Team	Won	Lost
Sixth Army	20	4
Armor 1X	20	4
LAMC 1	14	10
87th Ord Det	14	10
LAMC 2	14	10
504th MP Bn	12	12
LAIR	10	14
USACC	8	16
INSCOM 1	6	18
INSCOM 2	2	22

DYA Soccer

"Under 8"—The Presidio Strikers rebounded from last week's 1-0 loss to defeat another Viking team, 3-2. The Strikers were lead by Ventura Rodriguez, who scored two goals, and Josh Bearden, who scored one. In the second half the Strikers played tough defense, allowing only two goals, and winning the game 3-2.

"Under 12"—The Presidio Earthquakes tied the Viking Warriors 1-1, with the Warriors knotted the tie in the second half, getting the goal from Derrick Bruhn.

The 1981 regular season soccer program, conducted by the San Francisco Viking Soccer League, will be getting underway Nov. 15 and sign-ups will be conducted at the Ft. Scott Gym 3, Bldg. 1226, Oct. 23 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. The age groups are as follows: 8 and Under, 10 and Under, 12 and Under, and 14 and Under.

Those interested in participating are to be accompanied by parent, \$7 registration fee, birth certificate, and a small ID sized photo. For further information contact Karl Gaffney, at ext. 5328/2070.

Winter bowling

Sign-ups are underway for the DYA Winter Bowling League. To signup contact SSG Reggie King Jr., Bowling Coordinator, at ext 3664/413.



US Army photo

Intramural bowling is going full-speed, with the Sixth Army and Armor IX teams tied for first place

Jimmy the Freak

Don't bet the mortgage



After last week's picks I should "banga my own face". Hey, the way things were going, I probably would have taken Custer and 7 points against the Indians. I think I'll have a better

week this week, but don't bet the mortgage on it!"

Dallas 30, San Francisco 16

Unless Dwight Hicks can score 31 points by himself, the 49'ers can't win this one. Dallas has a better offense, better defense and better cheerleaders.

Philadelphia 27, New Orleans 17

The Eagles keep flying, while the Saints fans' hopes keep dying.

Pittsburgh 31, Cleveland 27

The "Steel Curtain" defense has a little rust on it, but Bradshaw should be the difference.

Atlanta 27, Los Angeles 20

The Falcons are just too good

to lose three in a row. The Rams always have Georgia on their minds, but it's just their eccentric owner, not a state in the Southeast.

New England 31, New York Jets, 20

What do you call a defense that is strong against the run and against the pass? Well, the Jets don't have the answer either, so look for a big Patriots win.

Baltimore 28, Cincinnati 14

Bert Jones is really passing well, and the Bengals are still wearing their "Winnie the Pooh and Tigger, too" uniforms.

Houston 20, Seattle 10

The "early" bird gets the worm, and the Seahawks get plucked as Campbell runs over and through Seattle.

Green Bay-something, Tampa Bay-something less

The paramount question in this game is —does anybody really care?

Denver 20, Detroit 12

At least there won't be a shut out, since both teams have

already had a chance to play Oakland.

San Diego 37, Minnesota 17

A team that almost loses to Chicago is like Rodney Dangerfield—it just can't get no respect! Romp of the day for the Chargers.

St. Louis 27, New York Giants 14

The Giants play so bad that when they finish a game, they leave a ring around the stadium. If you think New York can play professionally, you haven't gotten any inspiration; only a bad case of gas!

Kansas City 26, Oakland 17

I'm going out on a limb on this, but I predict sometime during the game, the Raiders will actually score a point!!

Buffalo 34, Miami 24

The Bills are playing well, while the Dolphins are just playing so-so.

Upset of the Week

Washington 27, Chicago 20

A friend gave me this score, and said he got a tip from "a little bird". The way the 'Skins have been playing, that bugger must have been a Condor!!

News Notes

Korean counseling

Reverend Kim, a minister who speaks Korean, is now working out of the Post Chaplain's Office, Bldg. 130. He is available to all Korean-speaking personnel for counseling and other matters. There is also an ecumenical Bible class and fellowship for Korean personnel on Post.

The classes are held at the Religious Activities Center, Bldg. 682, every Tuesday evening from 7-9 p.m. For more information, call Sp5 Park, ext 4719 or 4239.

Central mail closed Oct. 16

Central Mail & Distribution located in Bldg. 201, will be closed at noon on Oct. 16 for an office outing. The one-driver schedule will be followed as on Mondays for that day.

All personnel who wish to turn in official mail and official accountable mail should deliver it to the Distribution Center prior to 11 a.m. on Oct. 16.

Ceremony Nov. 24

The retirement ceremony for November will be on Tuesday, Nov. 24. This is a change from the previously announced date of Nov. 19.

Blood donations

All eligible Presidians are encouraged to give blood at the fourth quarterly blood drive scheduled for Nov. 10. Presidians can give at either the Presidio NCO-Enlisted Club, Bldg. 35 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., or the old MOS library Bldg. 1227 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Presidians raised 325 units of blood during the third quarterly drive.

DYA art classes

Dependent Youth Activities (DYA) Theater Arts classes will begin Oct. 14 for youngsters ages 6-18. Classes will meet every Wednesday for one hour after school. A \$5 fee per child will be charged.

Checks should be made payable to Morale Support Fund. To register, stop by the office of the DYA Director located in the basement of Bldg. 122 between hours of 8 a.m. and Noon.

There are still some openings in the DYA Tiny Tot swim class for youngsters between the ages of 3 and 6. Lessons will be on Saturday mornings starting the middle of October. Phone Mr. R. Mey at ext. 3673 for more information.

Pekingese available

A three-year-old Pekingese is available to a good home. If interested, call ext. 3098.

AUSA luncheon

A general membership luncheon of the Association of the United States Army honoring Lt. Gen. David E. Grange, Jr. is scheduled for Oct. 15 at 11:30 a.m. in the Presidio Officer's Club. The luncheon will feature Grange as guest speaker. For more information concerning the luncheon contact Mr. John Campbell at Ext. 2871.

Citizen of the Quarter

Do you know someone (military, civilian, dependent) who should be recognized for his/her contributions to our military community. If so, nominate them for the Presidio Community Citizen of the Quarter Award. Nominations should be sub-



Photo of the Week

This week's winning photo of the Palace of Fine Arts was submitted by John Green. Photos can be

submitted on PSF Form 822 to the Army Community Service Officer, building 214, not later than Oct. 19. For more information, call ACS at 5057/5156.

Creative Cottage

The Creative Cottage announces its Christmas Open Hours to be held Wednesday, Nov. 4 from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Bldg. 558. Come by for refreshments and watch demonstrations by artists and craftspeople including quilting, flower arranging and Christmas crafts.

submitted at the Star Presidian office, Room 204, Building 37.

Many delightful Christmas decorations and gifts for sale are on consignment by local artists. Twenty percent of sales are given to Letterman Women's Club and Presidio Officers' Wives Club welfare funds.

Sign-ups for DYA bowling

Signups are under way for the DYA Youth Winter Bowling League. To sign up contact SSG Reggie King Jr, Bowling Coordinator at ext. 3664/4113.

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Army update

Yorktown salute

A 50-gun salute will be fired Monday by the post salute battery to commemorate the Continental Army's victory at Yorktown Oct. 19, 1781. A related article appears on page 3.

Pay hike signed

President Reagan signed Tuesday a \$5 billion military pay bill providing for pay hikes of between 10 and 17 percent for enlisted personnel and 14.3 percent for officers. A chart outlining basic pay increases appears on page 4. In addition, basic allowance for quarters and basic subsistence rates also will increase 14.3 percent across-the-board.

The pay and basic allowance hikes will be reflected in the end-of-month October pay.

"Wooly-pully" due

That new, black "wooly-pully" sweater for soldiers will be available just in time for winter, according to Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) officials.

The all-wool pullover sweater, V-necked and made in sizes for both men and women, will be sold in post exchanges and military clothing sales stores beginning in November.

Officials say the sweater's cost in the continental United States (CONUS) will be \$25.

New check policy

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) has tightened its policy on nonpersonalized checks. After Oct. 24, nonpersonalized checks may be cashed up to a maximum of \$50 dollars. Checks accepted in payment for merchandise will be limited to \$250 dollars.

According to AAFES policy, a personalized check must have the customer's name printed on it. Customers will be exempted from the new restriction if their account and balance can be verified.



photo by Tony Rose

Sports car burns

It took only a few minutes for an expensive Lotus sports car owned by SFC Henry Burrows to become a charred heap. The car caught fire Wednesday

morning near the Creative Cottage while Burrows was driving. He escaped uninjured.

Civilian pay questions

The scheduled pay increase for federally-employed civilians is not yet fact and employees who receive special pay rates may be facing some additional adjustments.

Don Binder, chief of the Presidio's Employment Branch within the Civilian Personnel Office, says a lot of cooperation is going to be necessary. "We're still trying to sort out the new pay schedules which affect all federal employees, world-wide. While it has been announced that civilians will be receiving a 3.8 percent pay increase, there are some modifications to this, especially affecting those people in the special pay categories."

According to Binder, special pay is given to such people as clerical workers with special skills, nurses, doctors and engineers.

"It's purely a budgetary issue," says Binder. "The president has yet to sign the Executive Order authorizing any increases which mean we and the people at the Finance and Accounting Office are

caught in the middle. Plus, we have yet to receive word on people paid under the Federal Wage System (Wage Grade) other than the increase in pay will not exceed 4.8 percent.

Although pay increases may not be seen in the next pay check, when the Executive Order is signed, increases should be retroactive to the appropriate effective date, continues Binder.

As it stands right now, individuals receiving special pay will remain at the same level, but may see a one-step decrease in their special pay rate.

As Binder puts it, "In some grade levels, special pay employees may only realize an pay increase of 1.5 to 1.7 per cent!"

Binder emphasizes that what is happening is not a local issue, but one which is affecting all federally-employed civilians. He, along with other personnel administrators, are asking that civilian employees have patience over the next few months in this sensitive issue.

New pay
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announced

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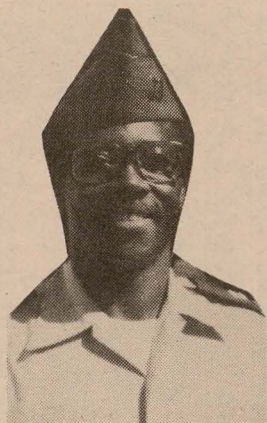
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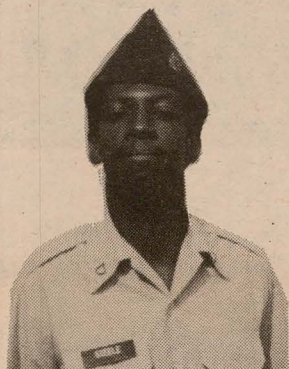
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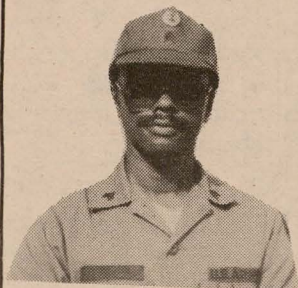
Capt. Al Burrs, LAIR

"The higher ranking NCO's are already getting enough money to support themselves with their housing allowance and other benefits. If a PFC comes into the Army with a family, he doesn't make enough to support them, no it's not fair."

"I think the lower enlisted need a little more help so they should get a more substantial raise, and by the time a person becomes an officer, he can manage his money better so they don't need as much. If The least the Army can do is to make sure it's people are adequately taken care of."

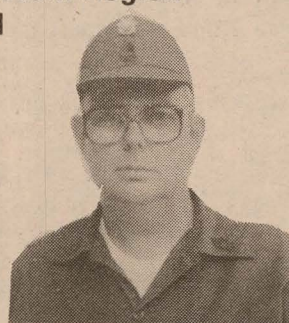


PFC Mark Steele, Outpatient Records



SGT. Ray Collier, Western Region Recruiting Command

"Yes it's fair becuse when they first went to the volunteer Army, the lower enlisted were given a larger raise than the senior NCO's, and this kind of evens it out."



MSgt. Melvin Hayes, Readiness Group

Commentary

Looking for action?

by K. Douglas Cook



One of life's simpler pleasures is going a whole day—24 hours all put together—without anyone complaining about something you did or failed to do.

For some reason, several types of people look forward to this more than others. Privates, lieutenants, married people and even generals—these people enjoy a respite, sometimes.

However, when it gets real quiet, silence for days on end, these people begin to get nervous. Ask any married person how they feel when their spouse doesn't say a word and just smiles a lot!

There's a telephone line on the Presidio which has been awfully quiet lately. It's the commander's Action Line and it's available 24-hours a day to record your comments, suggestions and complaints.

Well, because it's been so quiet, we thought it might be broken. So I picked up my telephone and dialed "L-I-N-E." (That's the number, 561-LINE).

When it beeped, after a short introduction done by someone with an absolutely marvelous voice, I began yelling about crummy four point whatever pay raise we civilians are getting! The line works fine.

So, since the Action Line works and we haven't received any calls, I guess we can tell the boss, Col. Hall, that everything's just wonderful on the Presidio. Somehow we get the feeling he may not fully believe us. You see, he's been the post commander long enough to know what's up.

So, if you'd like to check our Action Line and, along the way, offer a comment or suggestion, we'll be sure to let the boss know. Just dial (561)-LINE.

Oh, and speaking of action... next week's the annual All-American Week celebration. My sources tell me that a real, live (and very big) All-American will be on hand to kick the event off. It all begins just before noon next Wednesday, so stop by.

Letterman's annual Health Faire kicks off next Thursday and we even have a fascinating survey included in this edition for you to fill out and bring along. I already did mine and, according to the medical age I arrived at... I shouldn't worry about that pay raise, I'm too old to have any fun with it!

Letters

EDITOR:

This is to inform you and commissary people about the repeated rip-off of the commissary. I've watched on several occasions where people with valid ID cards purchase huge amounts of food and other items. Then, right out in the parking lot, they dispense these items to relatives and friends. This is taking place right under our noses!

I am a totally disabled veteran and feel I deserve these privileges, but I can't stand by any longer and watch unauthorized people benefitting like this.

J. Mocklin
San Francisco, CA

Dear Mr. Mocklin:

Thank you for your letter and, like you, we are deeply concerned when commissary privileges are abused in this manner. Please be assured we are taking serious steps to solve this situation. We encourage any commissary patron who sees such abuse to report it to us or directly to the post Criminal Investigation Office (561-3577). With your help, we can solve this situation.

Commissary Officer
Presidio of San Francisco

Back to the facts

In last week's edition of the Star Presidian, we proudly announced the results of our 1981 survey.

Many of you noticed a small problem with our facts. For the record, the average grade of

federally-employed civilians who responded is GS-6, as stated in the story.

To error is human, so they say and the 490 of you who indicated we do occasionally make mistakes are right. But, we'll keep trying!

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Raiderettes attend ceremonies

Oakland Raiders cheerleader Mary Weber pins a Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) "I do care" badge on Lt. Gen. David E. Grange, Jr., Sixth Army Commander, during ceremonies kicking off the 1981 version of charity drive Tuesday. Mary and another Raiderette, Anita Wheeler, participated in the ceremonies held on the Presidio's parade field. The CFC drive will run until mid-November.

Spirit of Yorktown

Redoubt 10 falls, so do the British

With this article, the Star Presidian notes the final event in the bicentennial celebration of the Continental Army's Victory at Yorktown. A flag which has flown over the historic Redoubt Number 10 at Yorktown will fly on the Presidio's flagpole today through Monday, commemorating the British surrender on Oct. 19, 1781. The following was provided by the Army News Service.

Yorktown, a sleepy Virginia town on the banks of the York river, won an honored place in American history in 1781. On August 1 of that year the army of British Cornwallis occupied Yorktown as a base for operations in the Chesapeake Bay. American regulars and militiamen under Major General Lafayette lacked the numbers to oppose it, but within a few weeks the tide began to turn. A powerful French fleet from the West Indies under Admiral de Grasse defeated a British squadron on September 5 off the Virginia coast, cutting

Cornwallis off from rescue. George Washington and Lieutenant General Rochambeau, commanding the French expeditionary force serving with the Continental Army, rapidly shifted their troops from New York.

The allied forces reached Yorktown on Sept. 28 and started using traditional European siege warfare procedures. The operations demonstrated both the growing professionalism of the Continental Army and the spirit of cooperation between the allies.

Presidians to go further for less

by K. Douglas Cook

Anyone who has to buy fuel by the gallon will appreciate the value of this offer.

On November 23 and 24, an incredibly efficient performance system will be "tested" on the Presidio parade field in front of building 38. The endurance run will last for 24 hours without stop.

Presidians may want to consider investing in this system at a unheard of low rate of 5 to 25 cents-per-mile. Maj. Ralph Cruikshank, chief of 6th

make the end worth the means! We need far-sighted people who are willing to invest as little as one nickel per mile covered... although we'll certainly accept larger amounts!"

The money invested in this extraordinary project will be reinvested at the rate of 100 percent in a campaign to help people. The effort, sometimes referred to as the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC), is a total Army and Presidio effort.

Last year Cruikshank and his

NEEDED: far-sighted people willing to invest as little as 5 cents a mile to help the Combined Federal Campaign

Army's Automation Management Office, says investors will be able to see real dividends.

"The system we're testing is rated at approximately 10 Personpower! Although, because we're using a specially designed prototype, only one personpower is used at any time during the endurance run."

Cruikshank is being assisted by MSgt Denis Lambert as they plan to put at least 190 miles on the system during the event.

"People can certainly come out and watch history in the making," says Cruikshank. "But, what we really need are investors to help us

associates tested a variation of this year's system which resulted in 51.5 mile total run and \$700 in returns. This year's 190 miles is a great leap forward, according to Cruikshank.

"We're really going to push it to the limit under some very serious rules and restrictions. The course will be laid out in front of building 38 and, for 24 hours, we'll be giving it our all!"

If you'd like to invest in this event, call Cruikshank or Lambert at 561-3023 or 3490 during normal business hours. According to both men, this is one investment which is guaranteed to be worthwhile.

sappers and miners (engineers) supported them by cutting holes in the defensive entanglements. Within fifteen minutes the Continentals overran their objective without firing a shot.

Without the redoubts Cornwallis' position became untenable, and he surrendered on October 19. The defeat at Yorktown sapped Great Britain's will to resist and led to the Peace of Paris on Sept. 3, 1783, ending the war and recognizing American independence.

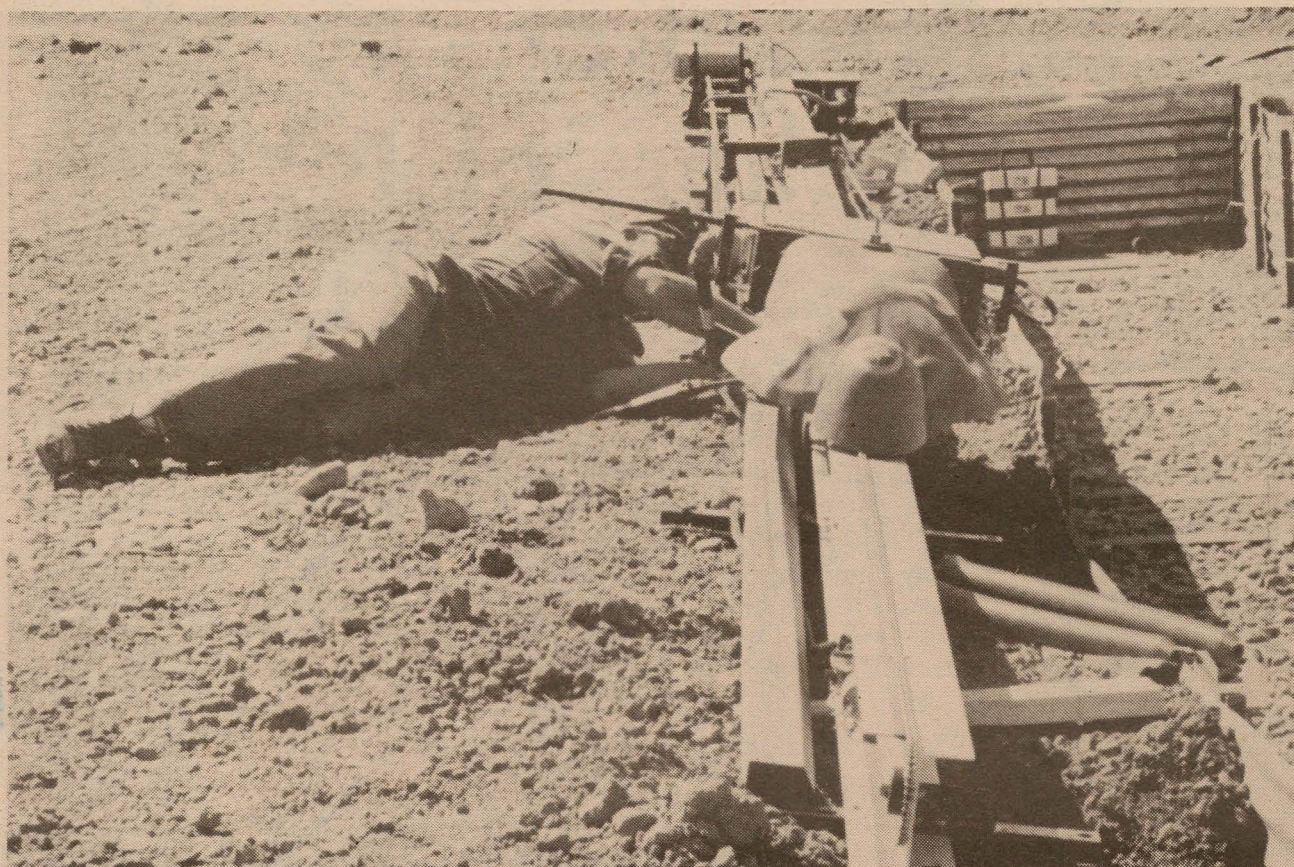
New weights provide lift at gym

Many Presidio weight lifters grumbled when the Main Gymnasium's weight room closed for repairs at the end of September. They're not grumbling anymore, though.

Smiles appeared when the weightroom reopened this week sporting \$2,500 in new carpeting and \$6,500 worth of new equipment. Bob Darling, Presidio sports director, said the

weight room's new look is getting rave reviews.

The new universal machines and free weights allow more lifters to use the room at the same time.



U. S. Army photo

New range opens

An engineer connects a pop-up silhouette target at the new Infantry Remoted Target System (IRETS), which opens today at Parks Reserve Forces Training Area, Camp Parks. The IRETS cost an estimated \$250,000 and is only the second of its kind. The

system is designed with 75 and 300 meter targets and allows targets to pop up at different positions along the range, providing more realistic battle conditions. The system also allows instructors to review a firer's score immediately.

**Commissary,
PX hours**

The Presidio's commissary council decided earlier this week to continue keeping the facility open until 7:30 p.m. on Thursdays. In a similar fashion, the main post exchange also is extending its hours.

Through December 17, the main post exchange will be open each Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. This is on a test basis. Other shopping hours at the exchange remain the same. Monday through Friday, excluding the new Thursday hours, it's open from 10 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. Saturday the exchange is open from 7:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. and on Sundays and holidays the hours are from noon until 5 p.m.

Exchange officials hope their customers will let them know how they feel about the new Thursday hours during this evaluation period.

The commissary started staying open until 7 p.m. on Thursdays on a test-basis Sept. 17. The test came about as a result of a survey conducted that showed a majority of soldiers and their dependents favored later hours.

In the survey, patrons were asked if they would shop during the new hours and if they favored the change. Of the 385 active duty soldiers and dependents who took the survey, 51 percent of the soldiers and 60 percent of their dependents favored the change.

Military pay chart for fiscal 1982

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS														
PAY GRADE	Under 2	2	3	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	26
0-10	4506.60	4665.30	4665.30	4665.30	4665.30	4844.10	4844.10	5215.20	5215.20	5588.10	5588.10	5961.90	5961.90	6333.90
0-9	3994.20	4098.90	4186.20	4186.20	4186.20	4292.70	4292.70	4471.20	4471.20	4844.10	4844.10	5215.20	5215.20	5588.10
0-8	3617.70	3726.00	3814.50	3814.50	3814.50	4098.90	4098.90	4292.70	4292.70	4471.28	4665.30	4844.10	5038.20	5038.20
0-7	3006.00	3210.60	3210.60	3210.60	3354.30	3354.30	3549.00	3549.00	3726.00	4098.90	4380.60	4380.60	4380.60	4380.60
0-6	2228.10	2448.30	2608.20	2608.20	2608.20	2608.20	2608.20	2608.20	2696.70	3123.60	3283.20	3354.30	3549.00	3840.00
0-5	1782.00	2092.80	2237.10	2237.10	2237.10	2237.10	2305.20	2428.80	2591.40	2785.50	2945.40	3034.20	3140.40	3140.40
0-4	1502.10	1828.80	1951.20	1951.20	1986.90	2075.18	2216.40	2341.20	2448.30	2555.40	2626.20	2626.20	2626.20	2626.20
0-3	1395.90	1560.60	1668.30	1845.90	1934.10	2004.00	2111.70	2216.40	2271.00	2271.00	2271.00	2271.00	2271.00	2271.00
0-2	1217.10	1329.30	1596.90	1650.60	1685.10	1685.10	1685.10	1685.10	1685.10	1685.10	1685.10	1685.10	1685.10	1685.10
0-1	1056.60	1099.80	1329.30	1329.30	1329.30	1329.30	1329.30	1329.30	1329.30	1329.30	1329.30	1329.30	1329.20	1329.30
COMMISSIONED OFFICERS WITH OVER 4 YEARS ACTIVE SERVICE AS ENLISTED MEMBERS														
0-3E	---	---	---	1845.90	1934.10	2004.00	2111.70	2216.40	2305.20	2305.20	2305.20	2305.20	2305.20	2305.20
0-2E	---	---	---	1650.60	1685.10	1738.50	1828.80	1899.00	1951.20	1951.20	1951.20	1951.20	1951.20	1951.20
0-1E	---	---	---	1329.30	1419.90	1472.40	1525.50	1578.60	1650.60	1650.60	1650.60	1650.60	1650.60	1650.60
WARRANT OFFICERS														
W-4	1422.00	1525.50	1525.50	1560.60	1631.40	1703.40	1774.80	1899.00	1986.90	2057.10	2111.70	2180.40	2253.60	2428.80
W-3	1292.70	1402.20	1402.20	1419.90	1436.70	1541.70	1631.40	1685.10	1738.50	1790.70	1845.90	1917.30	1986.90	2057.10
W-2	1132.20	1224.60	1224.60	1260.30	1329.30	1402.20	1455.00	1508.40	1560.60	1615.20	1668.30	1721.10	1790.70	1790.70
W-1	943.20	1081.50	1081.50	1171.80	1224.60	1277.40	1329.30	1384.20	1436.70	1489.50	1541.70	1596.90	1596.90	1596.90
ENLISTED MEMBERS														
E-9	---	---	---	---	---	---	1653.90	1691.40	1719.80	1769.70	1809.00	1844.10	1941.30	2130.00
E-8	---	---	---	---	---	---	1387.50	1426.50	1464.30	1501.70	1542.00	1577.70	1616.40	1902.30
E-7	968.70	1045.50	1984.50	1122.00	1160.70	1197.30	1236.00	1274.10	1331.70	1369.50	1408.20	1426.50	1522.20	1711.50
E-6	833.10	908.40	946.50	986.40	1023.00	1060.50	1099.20	1155.90	1192.20	1230.60	1249.20	1249.20	1249.20	1249.20
E-5	731.40	796.20	834.60	870.90	927.90	965.70	1004.40	1041.30	1060.50	1060.50	1060.50	1060.50	1060.50	1060.50
E-4	682.20	720.30	762.30	821.70	854.40	854.40	854.40	854.40	854.40	854.40	854.40	854.40	854.40	854.40
E-3	642.60	677.70	705.00	732.90	732.90	732.90	732.90	732.90	732.90	732.90	732.90	732.90	732.90	732.90
E-2	618.30	618.30	618.30	618.30	618.30	618.30	618.30	618.30	618.30	618.30	618.30	618.30	618.30	618.30
E-1	551.40	551.40	551.40	551.40	551.40	551.40	551.40	551.40	551.40	551.40	551.40	551.40	551.40	551.40

All American Week

October 21-24, 1981

Special Supplement

Opening ceremonies set for
Wednesday at noon, Thurmond to speak



A post-wide celebration highlighting cultural and physical awareness will begin on Wednesday and run through Saturday on the Presidio.

The post's second annual All-American Week festivities get underway on Wednesday; with opening ceremonies being held on the parking lot behind COMPACT. Keynote speaker for the event is Nate Thurmond, one of the all time great players in the National Basketball Association.

Along with Thurmond, there will be a performance by the Sixth Army Band and a colorful pageant to present the 50 state flags. After post commander, Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr. welcomes the crowd and visiting officials to the ceremony, Thurmond will officially open the celebration.

This year, the annual Health Faire, sponsored by Letterman Army Medical Center, will be held during the All-American Week activities. The Health Faire will begin on Thursday morning and continue through Friday in Bldg. 104 on Montgomery Street, just across from All-American Week's center stage area.

Health screening tests, educational materials and displays will be available to active duty and retired military personnel and their families. They will also be open to Department of Defense civilian employees.

Hall urges all Presidians to participate in "this unique and special occasion" and has authorized unit commanders and staff chiefs to release up to half of their personnel each day to attend as long as mission requirements can be met.

Throughout the week a variety of ethnic food booths and cultural displays will be set up. European and Latin-American foods will be featured. Several entertainment acts are scheduled to perform each day.

Among those slated to perform are the "Queen Ida Band", featuring Louisiana cajun music, "Dick Oxtot's Jazz Band", "Curley Gold and his Texas Tune Twisters", "Any Ole Time String Band", "Guadalajara", "Voices of Legacy", "Miriam Dvorin", "Troika Balilikas", and "Tiare Otea".

Many dance groups are also scheduled to perform. Highlights of some of these acts can be found in the center pages of this supplement. A complete schedule of events is provided on the back page along with a medical age survey which can be brought along to the Health Faire for professional evaluation.



Nada Lewis

Nada means the source of celestial sound

"Nada" means "Music" in the Sanskrit scriptures, or "The Source of Celestial Sound." This name is perfect for Nada Lewis, a warm and multi-talented young woman from the San Francisco Bay Area who plays an astonishing variety of musical instruments from all over the world.

Nada specializes in the music of Eastern Europe—Rumania, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia, Greece, and Russia. She also plays Near Eastern music (Turkish, Arabic, Armenian, Egyptian, and other), Jewish and Israeli music. Her associates with numerous ethnic/American ensembles can bring you the music and dancing of Ireland, India, Africa, and the Oriental countries as well.

Some of the myriad instruments Nada plays include: Accordion, Balalaika (Russian), Bouzouki (Greek), String Bass, Clarinet, Kaval (a Bulgarian flute), Cumbus, Saz and Oud (Middle Eastern stringed instruments); Dumbek (Arabic Drum) and Tupan (large Balkan Drum); Gadulka (Bulgarian fiddle); Tamburitza and Tamboura (Yugoslavian stringed instruments); Cymbal Mic (Rumanian Hammered Dulcimer); Zurna (Macedonian double reed Horn); Santur and Tar (Persian stringed instruments); and the Tibetan Longhorns, Bells and Cymbals.



They're well-known at Russian folk

From the Steppes to the Caucasus, from the Kremlin to the Crimean, the TROIKA BALALAIKAS bring you music from the heart of the vast Russian continent. This unique trio performs on a collection of rare and unusual folk instruments, including a family of balalaikas ranging in size from small to enormous. Traditionally dressed in brightly colored cosumes that evoke the splendor of Czarist Russia, the TROIKA BALALAIKAS recreate the spirited excitement of Russian folk melodies and rhythms. The balalaika is by far the best known Russian folk instrument. It is a three-stringed triangular instrument whose origins can be traced back to the ninth century Tartars.



Miriam Dvorin

"Singer Miriam Dvorin, who is also an impressively zestful violinist," (Nat Hentoff) specializes in jazz and international folk music. A recording artist on Arhoolie Records, Dvorin has soloed in colleges and clubs around the country as well as playing with Arthur Fiedler, Jack Benny, and Frank Sinatra.

After graduating from Indiana University, Dvorin played the violin in orchestras at the Kennedy Center and Wolftrap before creating her own singing and playing styles. Since then she has toured the midwest appeared at the St. Louis Ragtime Festival, and performed at the M.G.M. Grand Hotel with the Semenovff Strings.



King of the western swing

Curley Gold and his Texas Tune Twisters will be a featured attraction on stage at 1 p.m. on Wednesday.

Curley Gold will step on stage and introduce his famous musicians who will swing out playing country music, all done up in the western swing style. Unlike most band leaders in the field of country music, Curley Gold leads his band from his set of Ludwig trap drums and his fans have tagged him "King of the Western Swing Drummers".



Voices of Legacy

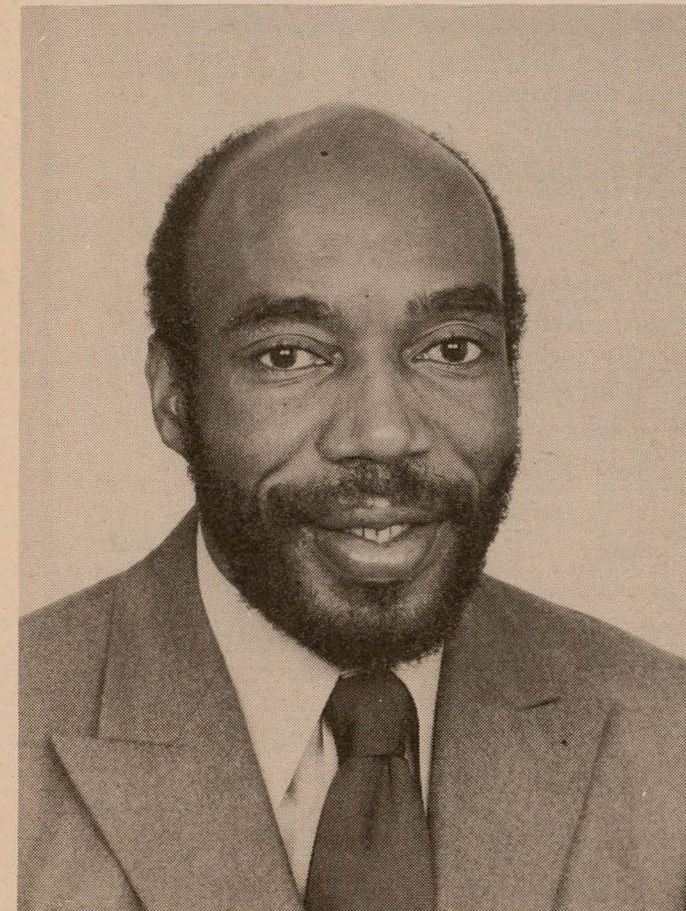
Group wants to preserve the old spiritual

The Voices of Legacy is a San Francisco-Oakland choral group directed by Mary Cobb Hill. The group is dedicated to preservation of the spirituals through poetry, drama and song.

During the past seven years, the 16 voice chorale has performed throughout the United States on stages, radio and television for various community celebrations.

The Voices of Legacy has recently returned from the Bahamas, where they had been invited to perform for the "Bahamian Independence Day Celebration".

The group produced and released their first album this year, "Dis Train", a musical drama, depicting the operation of an underground railroad in the slave struggle for freedom.



"Nate the Great" keynote speaker

A standout for 14 seasons, "Nate The Great" was drafted by the Warriors on the first round of the 1963 draft and played 11 years with the club before being traded in 1974 to the Chicago Bulls. The Akron, Ohio native ended his brilliant career in 1976 after 1½ seasons with the Cleveland Cavaliers. Mr. Thurmond will be featured as a keynote speaker during the opening ceremony.

Known for his defensive and rebounding prowess, Thurmond is the league's fourth-all-time leading rebounder with 14,464 career boards, and was considered by many opposing centers as the toughest defensive big man in the NBA.

He is also among the Warriors' top ten in ten of 13 statistical departments, leading in games played (757), rebounds (12,771) and minutes (30,729). Nate was honored for his outstanding play with Golden State when his familiar No. 42 jersey was retired in 1978.

ALL AMERICAN WEEK SCHEDULE
October 21-24, 1981
PRESIDIO OF SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21

12:15 p.m. Opening Ceremony
 1 p.m. Queen Ida Band (Louisiana Cajun Music)
 2 p.m. Dick Oxtot Jazz Band
 3 p.m. Square Dancers

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22

Noon Ballet Jalisco (Hispanic dancers)
 1 p.m. Curley Gold and his Texas Tune Twisters
 2 p.m. Any Ole Time String Band
 3 p.m. Guadalajara (Mariachi band)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23

Pacific Island Dance Group
 Voice of Legacy (Gospel music)
 Guadalajara (Mariachi band)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

Miriam Dvorin (European singer)
 European Dancers
 Troika Balilikas (Russian Folk Music)
 Tiare Otea (Polynesian music group)

All performances are open to the public, free of charge, at the stage on the main parade field area of the Presidio of San Francisco. On Tuesday and Wednesday between the hours of

noon and 4 p.m., a shuttle bus will operate from the Presidio to the Fort Point Museum where the exhibit known as Ready and Forward, honoring the Black Soldier, will be on display.

Complete this medical age survey and bring it to Bldg. 104

1 Lifestyle Inventory

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Disposition. Exceptionally good natured, easy going (-3); average (0); extremely tense and nervous most of time (+6).

Exercise. Physically active employment or sedentary job with well-planned exercise program (-12); sedentary with moderate regular exercise (0); sedentary work, no exercise program (+12).

Home Environment. Unusually pleasant, better than average family life (-6); average (0); unusual tension, family strife common (+9).

Job satisfaction. Above average (-3); average (0); discontented (+6).

Exposure to air pollution. Substantial (+9).

Smoking habits. Nonsmoker (-6); occasional (0); moderate, regular smoking 20 cigarettes, 5 cigars or 5 pipefuls (+12); heavy smoking 40 or more cigarettes daily (+24); marijuana frequent (+24).

Alcohol habits. None or seldom (-6); moderate with less than 2 beers or 8 oz. wine or 2 oz. whiskey or hard liquor daily (+6); heavy, with more than above (+24).

Eating habits. Drink skim or low fat milk only (-3); eat much bulky food (-3); heavy meat (3 times a day) eater (+6); over 2 pats butter daily (+6); over 4 cups coffee/tea/cola daily (+6); usually add salt at table (+6).

Auto driving. Regularly less than 20,000 miles annually and always wear seat belt (-3); regularly less than 20,000 but belt not always worn (0); more than 20,000 (+12).

Drug habits. Use of street drugs (+36).

subtotals

Part 1 total (+ or -)

2 Physical Inventory

+ -

Weight. "Ideal" weight at age 20 was _____. If current weight is more than 20 pounds over that, score (+6) for each 20 pounds. If same as age 20, or less gain than 10 pounds (-3).

Blood pressure. Under 40 years, if above 130/80 (+12); over 40 years, if above 140/90 (+12).

Cholesterol. Under 40 years, if above 220 (+6); over 40 years, if above 250 (+6).

Heart murmur. Not an "innocent" type (+24).

Heart murmur with history of rheumatic fever. (+48).

Pneumonia. If bacterial pneumonia more than three times in life (+6).

Asthma. (+6).

Rectal polyps. (+6).

Diabetes. Adult onset type (+18).

Depressions. Severe, frequent (+12).

Regular* medical checkup. Complete (-12); Partial (-6).

Regular* dental checkup. (-3).

*"Regular" refers to well people who have thorough medical exams at a minimum according to this age/frequency: 60 and up, every year; 50-60, every 2 years; 40-50, every 3 years; 30-40, every 5 years; 25-30, as required for jobs, insurance, military, college, etc. More frequent medical checkups are recommended by other authorities. Dental exams: twice yearly.

subtotals

Part 2 total (+ or -)

3 Social History Inventory

+ -

Father. If alive and over 68 yrs., for each 5 yrs. above 68 (-3); if alive and under 68 or dead after age 68 (0); if dead of medical causes (not accident) before 68 (+3).

Mother. If alive and over 73 yrs., for each 5 yrs. above 73 (-3); if alive under 68 or dead after age 68 (0); if dead of medical causes (not accident) before 73 (+3).

Marital status. If married (0); unmarried and over 40 (+6).

Home location. Large city (+6); suburb (0); farm or small town (-3).

subtotals

Part 3 total (+ or -)

4 For Women Only

+ -

Family history of breast cancer in mother or sisters. (+6).

Examines breasts monthly. (-6).

Yearly breast exam by physician. (-6).

Pap smear yearly. (-6).

subtotals

Part 4 total (+ or -)

Calculations

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Enter total from Part 1 (placed in appropriate column)

total from Part 2

total from Part 3

total from Part 4

Enter the totals of each column

Compute the chart total (+ or -)

Enter current age

Divide chart total by 12, and enter that (+ or -) figure

Add or subtract above figure to/from your current age to determine your medical age.

This questionnaire, along with your answers, can be a valuable reminder in directing your lifestyle for maximum health. Use it as a daily check list... post it where you can see it every day.



Salads, cakes and pies help round out the menu.

The lowdown on what's cooking

Story and photos by Tim Dewar

"With what we have here, I think we serve the best chow on post, and we get very few complaints."

So says SSgt. Vincent Daddazio, assistant mess sergeant at the U.S. Army Garrison's dining hall, one of the Presidio's "most unique dining facilities."

Not only is the USAG facility unique because it only serves lunch, but also because it features the most varied and appreciated menus on post, according to Daddazio.

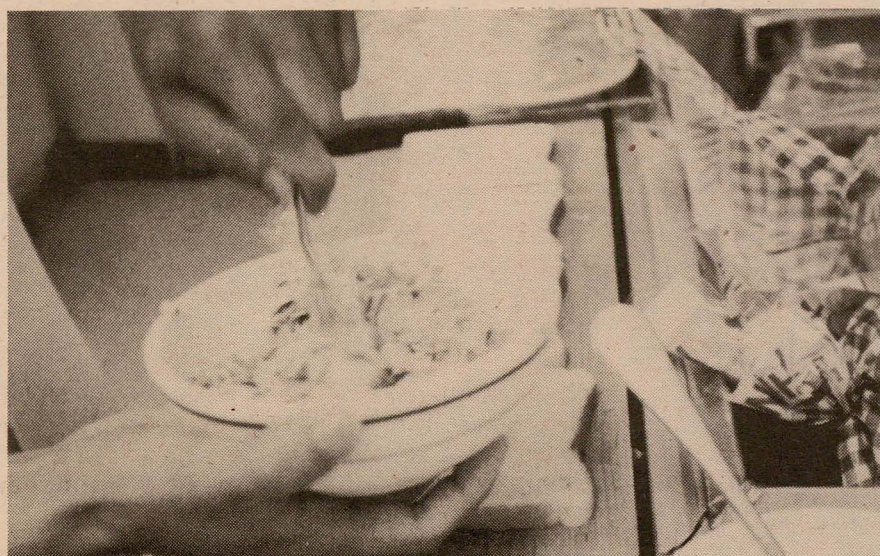
The menus on Tuesdays and Thursdays feature ham, roast beef and corn beef sandwiches as well as the usual hamburgers, chili, and soup. On other days, in addition to the normal fare, cuisine enthusiasts will find veal, chicken, teriyaki steak and other ethnic dishes.

Serving an average of 65 people a day, the facility is open from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday. It serves people who work on main post and can't make it to either dining facilities on Fort Scott.

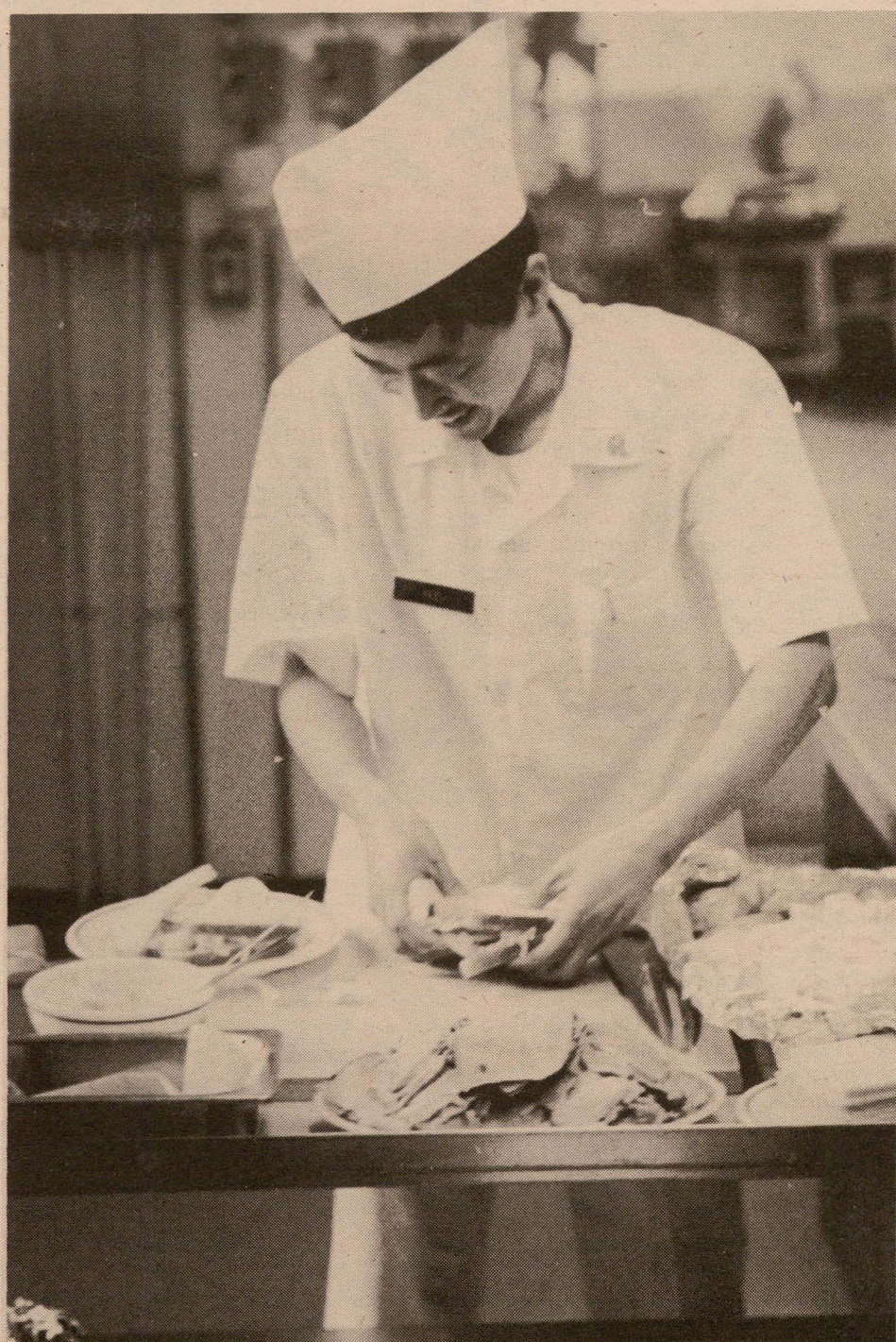
From Nov. 1-8, the 864th and 504th dining facilities will be closed, and the USAG Facility will serve three meals daily.

Monday through Friday breakfast will be served from 6 a.m. to 7 a.m., lunch the usual hours and dinner from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. The weekend schedule has the facility open from 8 to 9 a.m. for breakfast, noon to 1 p.m. for lunch and 4 to 5 p.m. for dinner.

Whether it's hamburgers, sandwiches, chili or chicken that you're looking for during the lunch hour, you don't have to look any further than building 101.



Short order sandwiches are the order of the day.



Sp4 John Wei prepares a sandwich.

Time to spare

Presidians run to save cable cars



Windsurfing

photo by Tony Rose

Windsurfing is becoming an increasingly popular sport and is a great way to stay in shape as this young lady can attest.

Presidio runners who want to participate in the HBO Cable Saves Cable Cars Race here on Nov. 1, can register with Viacom Cablevision in San Francisco.

The five-mile event is open to runners, joggers, walkers, visitors and anyone else interested in saving the cable cars.

The registration fee of \$7.50 per person will be donated to the Committee to Save the Cable Cars. All entrants will receive a T-shirt, with a medal going to each of the first 500 finishers, it was announced by Len Wallach, race director. All other finishers will receive ribbons.

The race will start at 8 a.m. at the cable car terminal at California and Market Streets and will proceed along the Embarcadero, past Fisherman's Wharf, around Fort Mason, along the Marina Green and end at the cable car turn-around at Hyde and Beach Streets. Entrants will receive soft drinks from Crystal Geiser Sparkling Mineral Water.

Presidio runners can register by calling Viacom Cablevision at 495-6200, or race headquarters at 986-5583.

The Presidio Recreation Center will hold an All-Presidio Chess Tournament Nov. 21 beginning at 9 a.m. Here's your chance to compete against some truly great chess players. This tournament is open to all members of the Presidio community. Those interested should sign-up by Nov. 14. There is an entrance fee of \$1. Prizes will be awarded.

All military and dependents are invited to two gatherings at San Francisco USO during October.

The first will be a free buffet put on by the Womens Overseas Service League at the San Francisco Center, 530 Taylor St., on Sunday at 4 p.m. A group of women from WOSL organization will bring their own home-cooked food and specialties. It will include many salads, cold cuts, cheese, chips, and all types of home-

made cakes and cookies. This is WOSL's way of saying thank you to the military.

A Halloween Party will be held at San Francisco USO on the eerie night of Halloween itself, Oct. 31, from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. That's right! It's an all night AFTER HOURS HALLOWEEN CELEBRATION, until 5 a.m. in the morning! A delicious buffet of all types and sizes of sandwiches will be provided by the San Francisco Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution.

Costumes are optional, but for those that wear them, there will be door prizes for the best, or most horrible. Junior volunteers will serve as hostesses. There will also be dancing, a special live performance by Mrs. Congeniality, plus "Dead" Music, games, a "kissing booth," apple dunking, a belly dancer, and food through the night and into the morning. All military and dependents are welcome.

In conjunction with Armed Forces Appreciation Month in December, the MGM Grand Hotel in Reno, Nev., offers a special discounted package available to active, retired and reserve military personnel and their families, to National Guard members and to government employees associated with the military.

From Dec. 1-29 and Jan. 3-31, the economical package called "Salute to the Military," includes one night's lodging in a luxurious room, a showing of the musical extravaganza, "Hello Hollywood, Hello," for two, plus cocktails, two games of bowling at the MGM Lanes, two cocktails in any bar or lounge at the MGM and two breakfasts in the Stage Door Cafeteria. The cost is \$36 per room, single or double occupancy, with additional nights costing \$30 per room.

Military personnel wishing to purchase the package may do so by calling the MGM Reno toll-free at (800) 648-5080 or at (702) 789-2000.

At the movies

Presidio Theater

Oct. 15	High Risk (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 16	Once Upon a Mouse & the Fox & Hound (G)	7 p.m.
Oct. 17	Once Upon a Mouse & the Fox & Hound (G)	2 p.m.
Oct. 17	Once Upon a Mouse & the Fox & Hound (G)	7 p.m.
Oct. 18	S.O.B. (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 19	S.O.B. (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 20	Cheaper To Keep Her (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 21	First Family (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 22	Condorman (PG)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Oct. 15	For Your Eyes Only (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 16	The Big Brawl (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 19	Once Upon a Mouse & The Fox & Hound (G)	7 p.m.
Oct. 20	S.O.B. (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 21	S.O.B. (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 22	Cheaper To Keep Her (R)	7 p.m.

Presidio Preview

S.O.B. is an irreverent, zany sendup of contemporary Hollywood. Julie Andrews and William Holden head the large cast.

Sports

Sports Shorts

Winter bowling

Sign-ups are underway for the DYA Winter Bowling League. To sign up contact SSG Reggie King Jr., Bowling Coordinator, at ext 3664/413.

Soccer program sign ups

The 1981 regular season soccer program, conducted by the San Francisco Viking Soccer League, will be getting underway Nov. 15 and sign-ups will be conducted at the Ft. Scott Gym 3, Bldg. 1226, Oct. 23 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. The age groups are as follows: 8 and Under, 10 and Under, 12 and Under, and 14 and Under.

DYA Basketball

The 1981 DYA Basketball program is now underway, at Gym 2, Bldg 1152. Those still interested in competing in age groups 8-12, 13-16, are encouraged to contact Mr. Gaffney at ext. 5328/2070.

There will be a clinic for all players, coaches, officials, and interested patrons at Gym 2, conducted by Coach Wilson from San Francisco State University, from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Football standings

Team	Won	Lost
HQ Sixth Army	2	0
USACC	2	0
LAIR	1	1
Oakland	2	0
Four Seasons	1	1
16th Ag Det	0	2
Corp of Engrs	1	1
864th Engrs	0	1
170th MP CO	1	1
LAMC	0	2

Golf tourney fund drive

Entries for the third annual Combined Federal Campaign Golf Tournament are still open, according to Dick Blake, tournament coordinator.

The tournament, set for Nov. 4 at 8:30 a.m. at the Presidio Golf Course, will be limited to 120 golfers this year. In the past two years, more than \$3,000 has been raised to benefit the Federal Government's only recognized fund raising drive.

Blake added that as in the past, sign-ups can be arranged through any of the many contacts throughout the Presidio. This year's contacts are: LtCol Bill Colbert (6th Army) 5152/4302, Spec 6 Gary Dutcher (LAIR) 4714, Maj Paul Neiman (PSF) 3601/2045, Col Newell Vinson (ARMRIX) 3882/3143 and Cpt John Post (LAMC) 2339.

Entry fee is \$5 which includes all fees and a buffet lunch after the tournament in the Presidio Golf Club. Greens fees have been waived for non-members.



Six packers win

Scott Carr holds the ball for Sixth Army "Six Packers" kicker Kenny Rawlings while defenders from Letterman Army Institute of Research attempt to block. The "Six Packers" defeated LAIR

28-0 and now boast a 2-0 record in Presidio Flag Football competition. The Presidio league consists of teams from Oakland Army Base, the Army Corps of Engineers and the Presidio.

photo by John Haberle

Jimmy the Freak

Lesson learned: 49er's real



Hey! If you're so smart, how come you don't win the weekly pool? I'm sorry, I mean the competition to pick the best Travel Lodges in various cities.

Cleveland 37, New Orleans 10

You can lead a jackass to water, but you can't make The Freak drink! No way the Saints can win in Cleveland. Besides, after ten minutes in town, extreme boredom sets in.

Pittsburgh 16, Cincinnati 13

A close, physical game. Who knows, maybe the Bengals only look like sissies in those uniforms. Possible upset here!

Atlanta 35, St. Louis 24

Don't punt, Falcons! Don't punt!!

San Diego 30, Baltimore 20

The Colts cannot defense against the pass. Guess what the Chargers do best? Right again! Hey—you're learning... you're learning!

Miami 26, Washington 13

Remember what I said a couple of weeks ago? If you think the 'Skins will win this one, you can call two cabs!

New York Giants a little something, Seattle a little something less

You'd play bad, too, if you had to play home games in New Jersey!! The Giants win the Toilet Bowl.

Kansas City 20, Denver 16

I'd explain my system to you on picking winners in close games like this one. Only I forgot how it worked!

Dallas 27, Los Angeles 13

The score would be closer, except Pat Haden is expected to play.

Detroit 30, Chicago 13

The Bears have played so poorly, they'd even make the Raiders look good. Then, again...

Tampa Bay 23, Oakland 13

Don't you love kicking Al Davis while he's down? Things are going so bad that his pet rat ran away from home.

Upset of The Week!

Minnesota 27, Philadelphia 23

The Eagles are going to lose sometime. I think this is the week.

San Francisco 31, Green Bay 17

I've learned my lesson; the 49'ers are for real. Besides, they have a "Lott" going for them.

Buffalo 27, New York Jets 16

The Jets could win if the Bills let down after their big win over Miami. Guess you heard what they're calling New York's hypochondriac split end? "Lame" Jones!

Houston 24, New England 17

The Patriots defense is last against the run in the entire NFL. Guess what the Oilers do best?

News Notes

Energy poster contest

In connection with Energy Awareness Week, the Presidio and tenant activities will participate in the FORSCOM Energy Conservation Poster Contest. Prizes of \$50, \$35 and \$25 will be awarded. Additional information and contest rules can be obtained by contacting the Incentive Awards section of the Presidio's Civilian Personnel Office at ext. 4332.

New education classes

Registration is now underway for the fall term of San Francisco State University classes being offered on post. The classes include courses in composition, U.S. history, accounting and human sexual behavior.

Information about tuition assistance and registration procedures can be obtained by contacting the Fort Scott Education Center, ext. 2974/4445, or the Letterman Education Center at 3692/4030.

Also offered on-post beginning Nov. 4 is a Supervisory Certificates Program from the city College of San Francisco. This course is ideal for present supervisors or those who will fill supervisory positions in the future. Information about this program also can be obtained from the Fort Scott and Letterman Education Centers.

Second Division reunion

Anyone who served in the 2nd Infantry Division during World Wars I, II and the Korean War are invited to attend a reunion at the El Rancho Tropica Motel in Santa Rosa, Calif. Nov. 6-8. Those interested in attending should contact Bill Cordova at (415) 944-4217.

Blood donations

All eligible Presidians are encouraged to give blood at the fourth quarterly blood drive scheduled for Nov. 10. Presidians can give at either the Presidio NCO-Enlisted Club, Bldg. 35 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., or the old MOS library Bldg. 1227 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Presidians raised 325 units of blood during the third quarterly drive.

Parent/youth club

The Presidio Parent/Youth Club will sponsor a Halloween Dance at the Presidio Community Center Oct. 30 at 7 p.m. Only club members and bonifide guests will be admitted. Parent consent forms for members and guests will be required. For more information concerning membership in the Parent/Youth Club, contact Marge Bailey at ext. 2205 or Martha McDonald, ext. 5073.

Treasure Island faire

An International Faire aboard Naval Station, Treasure Island will be open to the public Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. To celebrate this weekend, a variety of events and attractions have been planned. A carnival, game booths, sports exhibitions, bazaar, the Seagull Run, and live entertainment are among the festivities that the general public will enjoy.

Refreshment and concession stands will offer a



Photo of the Week

This breathtaking panorama taken from atop the Golden Gate Bridge by Capt. Richard M. Caldwell

variety of food and drink with picnic tables set up on a nearby lawn area.

To get to Treasure Island, take the Treasure Island exit off the Bay Bridge.

has taken Photo of the Week honors this week. We are still accepting entries in bldg. 37.

Ceremony Nov. 24

The retirement ceremony for November will be on Tuesday, Nov. 24. This is a change from the previously announced date of Nov. 19.

Trick or treat hours set for post ghosties

The Presidio has determined the bewitching hours for mainpost and all sub-installations this Halloween. The designated "trick or treat" hours are 6 to 8 p.m. Oct. 31. For safety reasons, post officials require "trick or treaters" under eight years of age "to be accompanied by a parent, guardian or responsible member of the military community over 21 years of age."

Other Halloween safety measures include:

- Giving children only commercially made and wrapped treats. In other words, no home made items or fruit.

- Organizing a central reception area in the Park-Presidio district to prevent children from climbing up and down stairwells. This area should be on the ground floor of each building stairwell.

- Using only flame-resistant material for children's costumes and party decorations.

- Avoiding the use of candles.

- Dressing children in light colored outer clothing so they can be spotted easily by motorists. Drivers should be extra cautious during the designated "trick or treat" hours.

- Cautioning children against eating treats with torn wrappers or which appear questionable in any way. Treats should be inspected by an adult when brought home.

- Other Halloween activities on the Presidio include a "Haunted House" and costume contest for children 12 and under from 7 to 10 p.m. in Building 1027. Admission for the event, which is sponsored by the Non-Commissioned Officers Association, is 50 cents. Costume judging begins at 9 p.m. with prizes being awarded for the top three costumes.

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Change in Variable Housing Allowance

Presidians receiving Variable Housing Allowances (VHA), may see a change in the amount they receive, according to finance officials.

Recent changes in the system used to determine VHA benefits call for the rates to be computed on the zip code of where the person works rather than lives.

"If someone lives in Marin County but works at the Presidio, they will receive the same amount as someone of equal rank who lives in San Jose and also works on the Presidio," according to Capt. Eric S. Gerenscer, Finance and Accounting Office.

The VHA is designed to help soldiers entitled to Basic Allowance for Quarters (BAQ) defray housing

costs in high cost-of-living areas where government quarters aren't available. Single soldiers are not eligible for VHA subsidies, which are computed on a daily basis according to the number of days in a month.

With the passage of the Nunn-Warner bill, the VHA was added to the list of military benefits last year. The entitlement begins and ends with a soldier's eligibility for BAQ.

Before implementing VHA, The Department of Defense surveyed more than 200,000 military members to determine housing costs throughout the country. This information along with data provided by the Department of Housing and Urban Development formed a basis for the allowance.

Correction on civilian pay increase

In last week's edition of the paper, some civilian employees were shocked to see their pay increase set at 3.8 percent. So were we! For the record, it's 4.8 percent.

Late word from post officials reveals that employees receiving only the 4.8 percent increase should see it reflected in their next paycheck.

Those employees paid under the "Special Rate" category will not see an increase in their next check, but rather in a future paycheck with the increase being paid retroactive to October 4.

The **Star Presidian** will continue to publish more information on the new pay rates as it becomes available.



photo by Bill Malkiel

Ready, aim. . .

Sergeants Jerry Thomas, holding an M-203 Grenade Launcher, and Roman Okayaki of D Company, 864th Engineer Battalion, had a hand in opening a training area they helped build. See pages 4 and 5 for story and other photos.

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**Housing Referral
opens doors for
new arrivals**

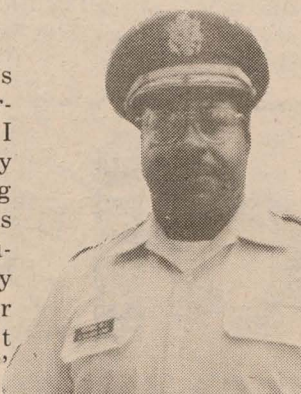
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Opinion

Ramblin' Sam

Is it possible to have a successful marriage in the Army?

"Yes, I believe it's possible. I've been married for 22 years and I have been in the Army 21. The key is being together as much as possible. When a couple is separated, they begin to count on other people for support instead of each other."



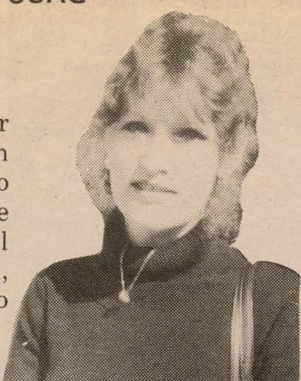
Maj. Wallace Brown, Equal Opportunity



Pvt. Dayna Hartzell, USAG

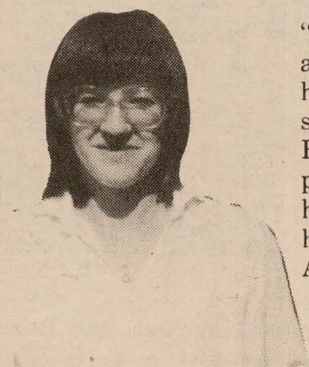
"If they approve my joint domicile request, I see no problems, but if they don't, it will cause a lot of problems for me and my family. The Army should try much harder to keep it's married couples together."

"You have to put your husband first even though that's hard to do as a woman these days. I like the travel and adventure though, so it isn't real hard to put up with."



Faye Harrison, Dep. wife

"That's kind of hard to answer, but as long as he likes his job and is satisfied, I don't mind. But if he ever had any problems or didn't like his job, I would ask him to leave the Army."



Gen'ovive Colet, Dep. wife

Commentary

A shot from the heart

by K. Douglas Cook



Well, it's All-American Week (or is that "Weekette" 'cause it's only four days?). And, the Letterman Army Meds are kicking off their annual Health Faire today.

It's sorta nice when you think about it. In some countries, when different ethnic groups get together they either start shooting at each other or can't understand each other.

Here in the U.S. of A., we can collect just about every sort of person ever made, in various skintones, speaking a variety of languages—and manage to get along very well.

Sure, we have problems sometimes and other countries just love to point them out to us. After all, freedom does allow people to disagree on everything from aspirin tablets to zoo construction.

However, we're still free to aspire to whatever highs or lows we choose for ourselves. We can be born poor and make it to the big money. Or, we can go the other direction, too!

Just imagine a place where your vocation,

travel, reading material, religion, political beliefs and ability to express yourself are tightly controlled. There are places in this world where such is the case. You're fooling yourself if you believe otherwise.

Right, you're going to tell me about the monopoly big business has on America. You're talking about political corruption, the hunger in this country, the oppressed minorities and all the prejudices which show their ugly presence in our daily lives.

Okay, you may be right. You've seen them, lived them and fought against them! Well, dear fellow American, that's the beauty of our country! No one has ever said this nation's perfect. It needs to grow up. After all, by comparison to some other nations, America's a mere infant.

While you're out enjoying the various cultures displayed on the Presidio and finding out how healthy you should be, take a moment to look and listen.

Look at the faces which comprise this country and listen to the languages of the people who have come here. Then ask yourself why. If America's so awful, why do people come from other lands, sometimes at great risk, to become Americans?

Some people are just lucky

Some people are just luckier than others. The lucky ones aren't afflicted with incurable diseases or birth defects, they're not victims of rape or abuse, they've somehow eluded unemployment and they've got a bit of money stashed away for their old age. The lucky ones have it all: health, wealth and security.

But what about the ones who aren't so lucky?

It used to be the government could be counted on to aid the disadvantaged, diseased and elderly. The government, however, is no longer quite so helpful. Budget cuts and reduced spending for social programs reflect the government's current thinking. The helpless and the luckless must find aid elsewhere.

In many cases, that help must come from agencies supported by contributions from private citizens. Agencies which conduct research to cure diseases, shelter battered wives and homeless children, care for the elderly and perform countless other services.

Nearly 300 such agencies—local, national,

international—rely on fund drives like the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) for their continued existence.

As most are aware, the Presidio's 1981 CFC drive kicked-off Oct. 13 and will run until mid-November.

CFC, of course, encounters its share of cynicism and indifference. Some people elect not to contribute, and that is their right. Perhaps they're some of life's fortunate sons—those who have escaped illness, family strife, violent crime and any number of other misfortunes.

But good fortune sometimes turns sour. Random events can produce a disabling disease, a crippling accident or a broken family. Nothing lasts, not even good fortune.

If you've been lucky so far, all the better. But when you're approached by a CFC keyworker, perhaps you'll consider what would happen if your luck or the luck of your loved ones ever ran out. By contributing to CFC, you could be helping yourself as much as anyone.

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MP's fire salute to Yorktown

Troops from the 504th Military police Battalion fire a 50-gun salute Monday to mark the bicentennial of the British Army's defeat at Yorktown. The canon crew on the left is PFC Rudolph Hopkins (firing) and Pvt. Ronald Mitchell. Manning the canon on the right is Sgt. Gregory Parr (hand raised) and Sp4 Anthony Hopkins.



photo by Tim Dewar

Help available for apartment hunters

by Dennis Moreland

Getting assigned to the Presidio is not easy. But it's probably not as hard as finding a place to live once you arrive.

According to a recent survey, the apartment vacancy rate within a two-hour drive of San Francisco is one or two percent. When a vacancy occurs, it's filled within four hours and attracts between two and 10 applicants. And because demand is high and supply short, rents in the San Francisco area are among the highest in the country.

Many military families are bewildered and frightened by the Bay area's tight housing market. Help, however, is available at the Presidio's Housing Referral Office (HRO), located in Building 227.

What kind of help?

Well, Florence Kittredge, HRO director, says she "can't create vacancies or lower rents." But she tries "to make newly assigned personnel feel as welcome as possible."

She and Dolores Graves, her assistant, do that by briefing new arrivals on the housing situation, issuing maps of The City and nearby communities, providing lists of apartment houses where vacancies may exist and assisting in finding temporary shelter at a guest house or motel.

Kittredge, who was once a military wife, has been Presidio's Housing Referral Officer for four years. She knows from experience the difficulty lower-enlisted families have in a

high-cost of living area like San Francisco. She recommends E-4s and below with less than two years service "leave their dependents at home or in a low-rent area until they have made housing arrangements."

Further, she says that even with Basic Quarters Allowance and special considerations like the Variable Housing Allowance (VHA), most military families living on the economy must put out an additional \$125 per month to cover their rent and rising utilities.

While in other places it's often advised that you don't rent the first apartment you look at, Kittredge urges just the opposite here. "If you see an apartment you like and can afford," she says, "you should grab it

at least for six months or so until something else can be found."

Kittredge says military personnel are usually more successful finding apartments in Marin county to the north, and San Mateo county to the south, than in San Francisco. A typical one-bedroom apartment in those areas, she notes, rents for about \$375 per month.

The housing shortage in the San Francisco region has existed for several years and isn't likely to improve, according to Kittredge. But there's no reason for new arrivals to despair. She says, "HRO employees will continue to insure that all military members and their families are given a fair and equal opportunity to obtain the best off-post housing in the commuting community."

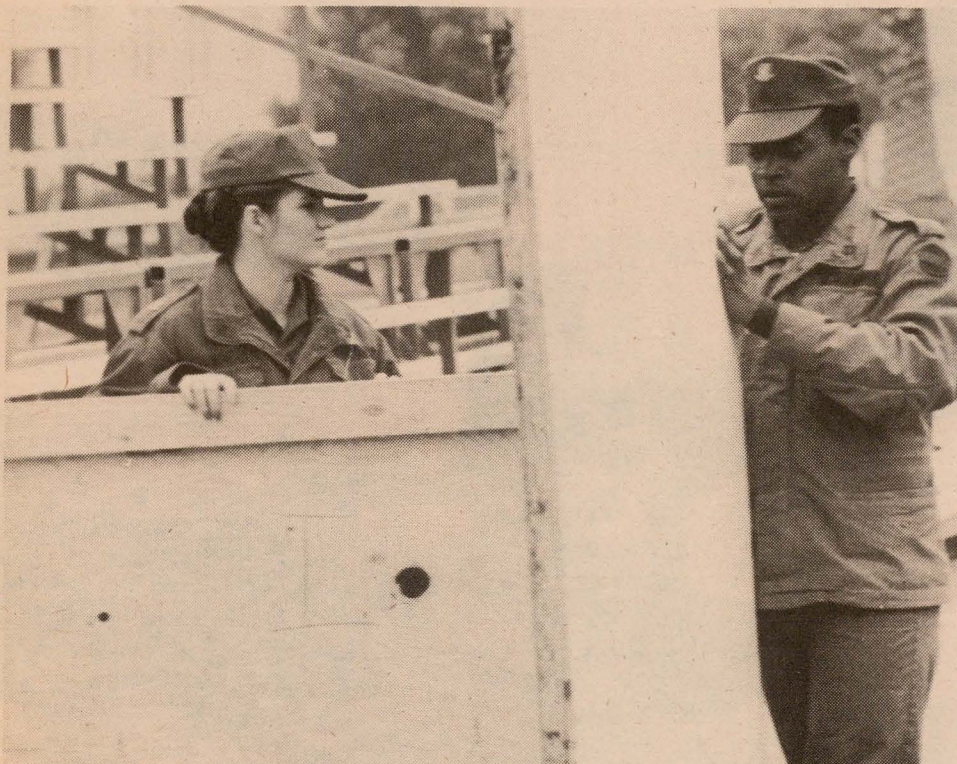


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PFC Nancy Denny and PFC Larry Lovett construct a booth that will be used during All-American Week festivities on the Presidio.

All-American Week celebration running

Following is a list of All-American Week activities:

Today: Ballet Jalisco (Hispanic Dancers) noon; Curley Gold and his Texas Tune Twisters, 1 p.m.; Any Ole Time String Band, 2 p.m.; and Guadalajara (Mariachi band), 3 p.m.

Tomorrow: Pacific Island Dance Group, noon; Voice of Legacy (Gospel music), 1 p.m.; and Guadalajara, 2 p.m.

Saturday: Miriam Dvorin (European singer), noon; Europena Dancers, 1 p.m.; Troika Balilaikas (Russian Folk Music) 2 p.m.; and Tiare Otea (Polynesian music group) 3 p.m.

All performances are open to the public, free of charge at the stage on the main parade field area of the Presidio of San Francisco.

This year the annual Health Faire, sponsored by Letterman Army Medical Center, will be held during the All-American Week celebration. The Health Faire began this morning and will continue tomorrow in Building 104 across from the parade field.

Health screening tests, educational materials and displays will be available to active duty, retirees and their families. They also will be open to Department of Defense civilian employees.

Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., post commander urges all Presidians to participate in "this unique and special occasion" ad has authorized unit commanders and staff chiefs to release up to half of their personnel each day to attend as long as mission requirements can be met.



Sgt. Jerry Thomas prepares to fire an M-203 grenade launcher while Sgt. Roman Okayaki, coaches and SSgt. C. Belcher observes.

photo by Bill Malkiel



Troops double-time to M-16 IRETS range.

photo by John Haberle

Moving targets

Realistic range now under fire

"The new training facilities here at Parks will boost the readiness of the National Guard and Reserve units in the Bay Area and so strengthen the total Army."

With those words, Lt. Gen David E. Grange, Jr., Sixth Army Commander, marked the opening of the new Infantry Remoted Target System (IRETS) at Parks Reserve Forces Training Area in Pleasanton, Oct. 16.

The IRETS is one of only two in the continental United States that features moving targets. It will be the only one dedicated primarily to the training of Reserve components.

The radio-controlled system is designed to replace small arms personnel targets currently in use throughout the Army. The Parks IRETS features ten firing lanes of four targets each: two pop-up single targets, one pop-up double silhouette target and the moving target.

This realistic system uses three dimensional targets with the physi-

cal characteristic of aggressors. The targets pop up and down, move back and forth and dart from side to side, all under radio control.

Members of D Company, 864th Engineer Battalion, who built the IRETS range, demonstrated how it works for Army officials and members of the news media who attended the opening. Also demonstrated was the M-203 grenade launcher range, constructed by D Company's second platoon.

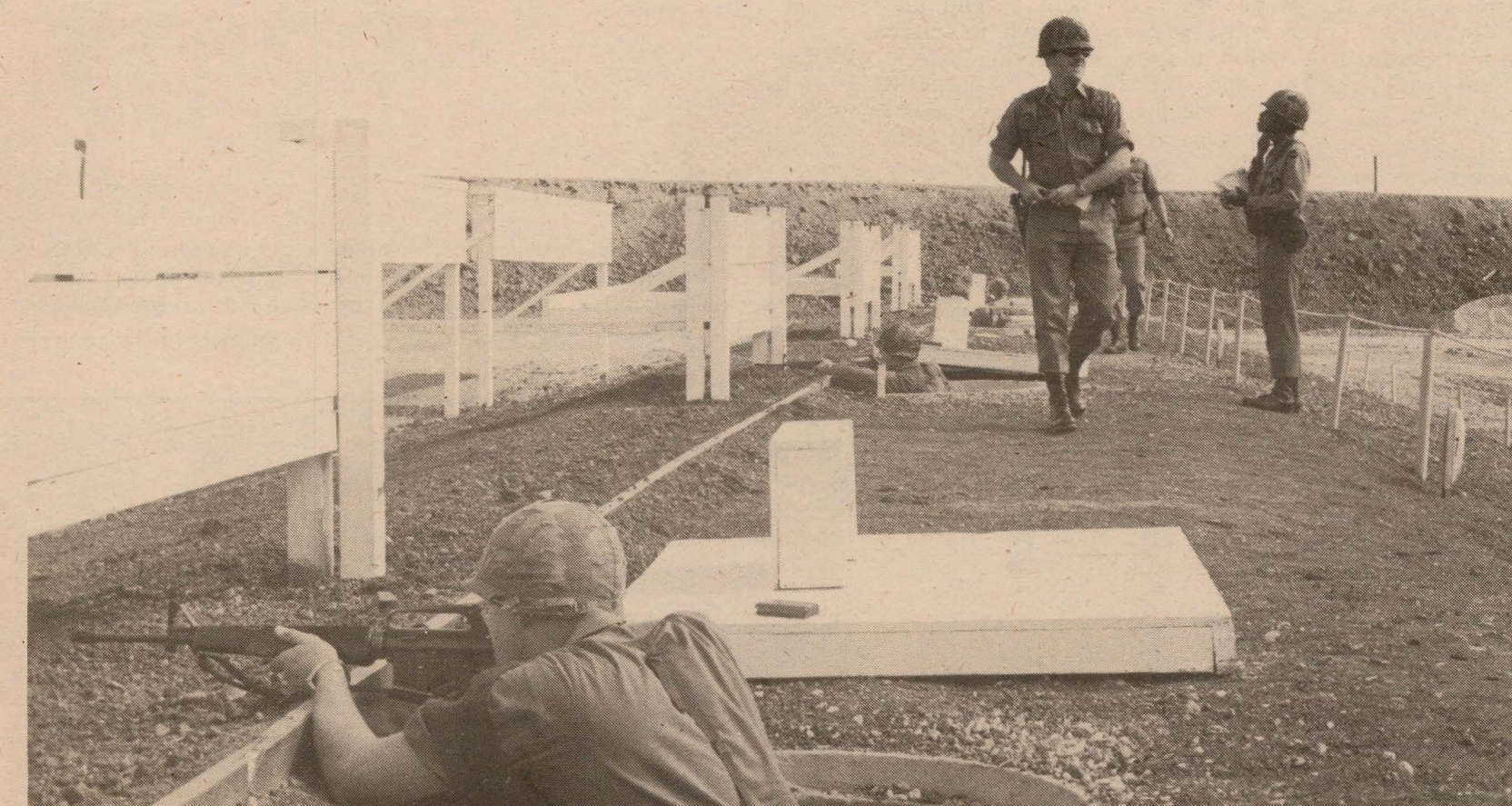
"Parks provides an accessible training environment for 89 company-sized units within a 75-mile radius," said Lt. Gen. Grange in his remarks. "Because these units will no longer have to travel to Fort Ord for training, their amount of available training time will increase while their transportation costs decrease.

Each unit will gain an average of three hours each day for training and savings in fuel will exceed \$115,000 annually."



Thomas demonstrates grenade launcher to Lt. Gen. David E. Grange, Jr., Sixth Army Commander.

photo by Bill Malkiel



D Company soldiers take aim at IRETS targets.

photo by Bill Malkiel

Time to spare

Ski season to open, it's all downhill

The Outdoor Recreation Branch will conduct ski safety and maintenance classes Oct. 27 at noon and Oct. 29 at 5 p.m. in Building 92.

Those authorized to check out skis from Outdoor Recreation must attend one of the classes before issued equipment. Those who attended a class last year are not required to attend one this year. Classes for November will be announced soon.

The Outdoor Recreation Branch is organizing a tour of Angel Island for Nov. 14. Ferry service is \$5.25 for adults and \$2.75 for children between the ages of five and 11. It is payable upon sign-up.

Active duty personnel, dependents, retired military, reserve component personnel and Department of Defense civilians are eligible for the outing. For more information, call 561-4234 or come by the Outdoor Recreation Office located in Building 92 between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

"Alchemy," a non-profit literary magazine published annually by San Francisco State University students in an advanced English class, is accepting poetry, short stories, one-act plays, essays, interviews, black-and-white photographs and graphic art for possible publication in its 1981-82 issue.

The deadline to submit material is Nov. 25. The magazine will be published in May. Contributors need not be affiliated with San Francisco State.

Submissions, which should include a stamped, self-addressed envelope, should be sent to "Alchemy" Magazine, San Francisco State University, HLL 240, 1600 Holloway Ave., San Francisco, CA, 94132.

For more information call the San Francisco State University English Department, (415) 469-2264.

The Presidio Recreation Center will hold an All-Presidio Chess Tournament Nov. 21 beginning at 9 a.m. Here's your chance to compete against some truly great chess players. This tournament is open to all members of the Presidio community. Those interested should sign-up by Nov. 14. There is an entrance fee of \$1. Prizes will be awarded.

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Tahoe tours

In addition to classes on using and maintaining ski equipment, the Outdoor Recreation Branch is organizing a number of trips to Lake Tahoe. The first ski trip is scheduled for Dec. 4-6 and is limited to active duty Presidio soldiers E-5 and below. Those interested should call ext. 4234 for more information or stop by Building 92.

At the movies

Presidio Theater

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Oct. 24	C. H. O. M. P. S. (G)	2 p.m.
Oct. 24	The Night The Lights Went Out in Georgia (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 25	Victory (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 26	Victory (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 27	The Formula (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 28	Altered States (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 29	The Final Conflict (R)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Oct. 22	Cheaper to Keep Her (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 23	First Family (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 26	Condorman (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 27	The Nights The Lights Went Out in Georgia (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 28	Victory (PG)	7 p.m.
Oct. 29	The Formula	

Presidio Preview

Victory, starring Sylvester Stallone, Michael Caine, Max Von Sydow and Pele tells about a ragtag group of World War II Allied prisoners who form a soccer team and are forced to play the German national team.

Sports

Intramural football, soccer

Games of the week

The game of the week featured the 864th Engineers outlasting LAMC, in a game which displayed both stubborn defensive, as well as an sporadic offensive performance. After practically three scoreless quarters of play, the Engineers finally realized that putting points on the score board was an important element in winning, by scoring first on a 32-yard field goal by Leo Pardo, with less than three minutes remaining.

This realization caught on, and what had been a lackluster game, ended with a great deal of excitement, with LAMC retaliating after a crucial interception, to score on a 7-yard run by Randy Crawford, for a momentary 6-3 lead, with less than two minutes remaining.

I repeat momentary, because after receiving the kick-off, the 864th moved up field, bogged down at mid-field. Then quarterback, Ronald Davis, tossed a "Hail Mary" to Leo Pardo, who flew past a couple of tangled up defenders, and jaunted 54 yards untouched, for an exciting 9-6 finish.

Other game scores of the week were as follows:

Jimmy the Freak

It won't go to my head



Don't look now, but Jimmy's picks last week were very accurate for a change. I won't let it go to my head—the following picks will prove that.

Detroit 27, Green Bay 10

If Billy Sims won't do it, Eric Hipple.

San Francisco 30, Los Angeles 24

The 49ers are really getting their act together. The Rams are over-rated. Only their helmets are scary.

Kansas City 27, Oakland 19

Don't you love kicking Al Davis even when he's not down? If the Raiders win this one, maybe his pet rat will come home.

Cleveland 31, Baltimore 28

Look for a lot of points in this game. The only way either defense can stop the other team is to hold the timekeeper hostage and play 10 minute quarters.

Buffalo 28, Denver 20

I told you last week that the Bills could lose if they looked past the Jets to this game. Besides, Craig Morton may not play—he's got to register for Medicare this week.

Minnesota 40, St. Louis 20

Who says you can't win in the NFL by throwing 138 passes a game? Don't tell Tommy Kramer!

New England 29, Washington 13

This pick is **very** shaky—the Patriots have let down more people than a gelding put out to stud.

Atlanta 30, New York Giants 23

No matter what is being said in New Jersey about the Giants, there is no way that they can beat a **good** football team. They've been beating up the NFL lightweights and telling themselves how good they are.

Philadelphia 45, Tampa Bay 0

A team that lets the Raiders score more than 10 points is not

going to get any respect from this cowboy.

Cincinnati 26, New Orleans 20

The Bengals are changing their stripes and turning into a decent football team.

San Diego 37, Chicago 10

The Bears couldn't win the Big Ten championship, let alone do well against professional teams. What a bunch of bim-bos!!

Pittsburgh 1, Houston 0

Who cares??!!

Upset of the Week

Seattle 27, New York Jets 20

The Jets self-destruct every month or so. Take the points and run on this game, troopers!

Upset of the Week II

Miami 28, Dallas 24

Don Shula will have his team ready. The Cowboys' second half against the Rams looked like junior high school flag football. Bien viaje!

USACC defeated the 170th MP's 12-8; OARB nipped 6th Army 16-14; 16th AG nudged out LAIR 12-7; and Corps of Engineers trounced Four Seasons 35-6.

Soccer

The Presidio Bears (Under 10) Soccer team might soon be known as the "Bad News Bears", but only in terms of being the bearers of bad news. Bad news, spelled d-e-f-e-a-t, is just what the Bears have been handing out to their opponents, since the beginning of the season, and last Saturday's game was no exception.

For fifty minutes the Earthquake players trembled in confusion as the Bears ripped them apart with short and long passes to score a season high six goals. The scoreless Earthquakes marked the second team to be shutout by the Bears, who have now rocketed to a 3-0 record. The Bears goal getters were Ryan Craig, Cary Brown, Steve Umfleet, Chad Durbin, and Michael Barry who scored two goals.

Sports Shorts

Intramural basketball

The 1981-82 Intramural Basketball program will commence on or about Nov. 23. Units/activities desiring to enter a team are requested to contact Mr. Gaffney at exts 2070/5328. A rules interpretation meeting will be conducted at bldg. 63, Gym 1. Units/activities entering a team must have a representative at this meeting.

Fun run race

The Sports Branch will conduct the next "Fun Run Race", over a flat three-mile course, Nov. 18 at noon. Starting point Gym 2. For further information contact Mr. Darling at exts 4120/5032.

'Turkey Shoot' golf

The Sports Branch will conduct an 18 hole golf "Turkey Shoot", using the Callaway scoring system, Nov. 19, for military personnel only. For further information contact the Sports Branch, at exts 4120/5032.

Tennis lessons

The Sports Branch will attempt to conduct tennis lessons, at the beginning and intermediate levels, if there is a sufficient response, for active duty military and their dependents. To sign-up or for more information, contact Mr. Gaffney, at exts 2070/5032.

Football standings

Team	Won	Lost
USACC	3	0
OAKLAND	3	0
Corp of Engrs	2	1
HQ Sixth Army	2	1
864th Engs	1	1
LAIR	1	2
Four Seasons	1	2
16th AG	1	2
170th MP	1	2
LAMC	0	3

Golf tourney

There's still time to sign-up for the third annual Combined Federal Campaign Golf Tournament. And contrary to what was printed in the Oct. 16 edition of the Star Presidian, the entry fee is \$25.

The entry fee includes all fees and a buffet lunch after the tournament in the Presidio Golf Club. Greens fees have been waived for non-members.

Golfers can sign-up for the tournament by contacting any of the following people: Bill Colbert (Sixth Army) 5152/4302; Gary Dutcher (LAIR) 4714; Paul Neiman (PSF) 3601/2045; Newell Vinson (ARMRIX) 3882/3143 and John Post (LAMC) 2339.

Women's basketball

Active duty personnel and dependents interested in trying out for women's basketball should contact Phyllis Singleton at exts. 3950/2540.

News Notes

Art exhibit at chapel

Thirty-eight paintings by San Francisco artist Grace Fitzgerald will be exhibited at the Presidio's Main Chapel (Building 130) Nov. 1-8 during normal duty hours.

The exhibit, entitled "Symbols of Grace," represents religious expression in a manner not commonly seen according to Lt. Col. Daryl Vanderburgh, deputy post chaplain.

The showing will be Fitzgerald's second on the Presidio. Her religiously inspired paintings, done in acrylics and oils, received a warm response when displayed at Letterman Army Medical Center's chapel last August. Chaplain Vanderburgh invites post personnel to attend the showing.

Second Division reunion

Anyone who served in the 2nd Infantry Division during World Wars I, II and the Korean War is invited to attend a reunion at the El Rancho Tropical Motel in Santa Rosa, Calif., Nov. 6-8. Those interested in attending should contact Bill Cordova at (415) 994-4217. **The telephone number for contacting Cordova printed in the Oct. 16 Star Presidian was incorrect.**

Transportation office

The Personal Property Transportation Office has moved from the basement of building 39 to the second floor of building 227.

Parent/youth club

Registration for membership in the Parent/Youth Club continues today from 4 to 6 p.m. and tomorrow from 4 to 8 p.m. in building 908. Already registered parents can sign their family member cards during these hours. For more information, contact Margie Bailey at ext. 2205 or Marcha McDonald at ext. 5073.

Women's club luncheon

The Letterman Women's Club luncheon is scheduled for Nov. 12 at 11:30 a.m. in the Presidio Officers Club.

Eric Saul, the curator for the Presidio Army Museum, is to be the guest speaker. Mr. Saul will be showing his very special collection of slides entitled "Earth, Wind, and Fire" circa 1906. Many of his photos were acquired from private collections and have never been viewed by the public.

Reservations must be made by Nov. 9 by calling Peggy Bjornson at 3316.

Another event is the art auction. This special event is to take place on Nov. 13 at the Presidio Officers Club. The exhibition starts at 6:30 p.m. and the auction at 8 p.m. Admission is free, and there will also be hors d'oeuvres with a no host bar.

'Festival of Songs'

The 504th Military Police Battalion Chaplain's section and the Fort Scott Chapel are sponsoring a special "Festival of Songs" as a part of the Presidio All-American Week. The festival will feature choirs from churches of different ethnic backgrounds. Tonight, the adult choir from the Primeria Iglesia Bautista in San Francisco will perform. Tomorrow, the festival will conclude with The Voices of St. John from Richmond, Calif. Each program will begin at 8 p.m. Everyone is invited to



Photo of the Week

This photo taken in the Tiger Balm Garden in Singapore by Rufino P. Portillas captured photo of the week honors. Those who would like to enter

come and make this a part of their All-American Week celebration.

Halloween celebration

Prizes for the best costumes, good food and music by Joe Brigandi will be part of the Halloween celebration at the Presidio Officers Club Oct. 31.

Energy poster contest

In connection with Energy Awareness Week, the Presidio and tenant activities will participate in the FORSCOM Energy Conservation Poster Contest. Prizes of \$50, \$35 and \$25 will be awarded. Additional information and contest rules can be obtained by contacting the Incentive Awards section of the Presidio's Civilian Personnel Office at ext. 4332.

Blood donations

All eligible Presidians are encouraged to give blood at the fourth quarterly blood drive scheduled for Nov. 10. Presidians can give at either the Presidio NCO-Enlisted Club, Bldg. 35 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., or the old MOS library Bldg. 1227 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Presidians raised 325 units of blood during the third quarterly drive.

Wives Club meeting

The Peninsula Retired Officers' Wives Club will hold a meeting and luncheon for members and their guests at Rick's Chalet Nov. 4. Cocktails served at noon with lunch to follow at 1 p.m. Tickets are \$6. For reservations contact Louise Hicks, 734-9557.

the contest should bring their entries by the Star Presidian office, Room 205, Building 37.

Youth sports

DYA soccer program

The 1981-82 DYA Soccer program will be participating in the up-coming Viking Soccer League (ages 14 and Under, 12 and Under, 10 and Under, and 8 and Under). If you haven't already signed-up, you can still do so, during normal duty hours, at the Ft. Scott Gym, bldg. No. 1226. There will also be a soccer clinic for players, officials, coaches, etc., conducted Nov. 15, by Head Coach Jack Hyde (San Francisco State Univ.) at the Ft. Scott Fields, from 10:00-12:00. If desiring further information please contact Mr. Gaffney at exts 2070/5328.

Winter bowling

Sign-ups are underway for the DYA Winter Bowling League. To signup contact SSG Reggie King Jr., Bowling Coordinator, at ext 3664/413.

DYA Basketball

The 1981 DYA Basketball program is now underway, at Gym 2, Bldg 1152. Those still interested in competing in age groups 8-12, 13-16, are encouraged to contact Mr. Gaffney at ext. 5328/2070.

There will be a clinic for all players, coaches, officials, and interested patrons at Gym 2, conducted by Coach Wilson from San Francisco State University, from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

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Energy bill climbs as use drops

The Presidio's energy bill sky rocketed more than \$900,000 in Fiscal Year 1981, even though one percent less energy was used than in the previous year, Presidio energy officials report.

Rising energy costs will have to be absorbed by funds marked for home and office improvements and other amenities if we continue to waste energy, said Danilo Dadios, of the Energy and Environmental Control Office, Directorate of Facilities Engineers.

In the past fiscal year, Dadios said, the Presidio paid more than \$6 million dollars for gas and electricity.

Presidians are urged to be even more energy conscious after news of a 9.8 percent budget cut in energy conservation project funds. "The Presidio's funds for a project to install various time clock controls, boiler improvements, heating duct insulation and other energy saving steps were cut from \$510,000 to \$460,000," noted Dadios.

"We cannot," he added, "rely solely on big investment energy conservation projects to meet our energy goals anymore. The one percent decrease (in energy use) just isn't enough. It will take cooperation and effort on the part of everyone to help solve Presidio's energy consumption problem."

Individual efforts to save energy "can be as effective as big investment energy projects," said Dadios. "We are the ones who turn up the thermostat, leave the lights on when we're not using them and leave hot water flowing needlessly. They (wasteful habits) do add up."



photo by D. Moreland

All-Americans

"Troika Balilika" and Miriam Dvoin (guitar), musicians specializing in Russian and European folk ballads, perform during the Presidio's All-American Week, Oct. 21-24. More photos on pages 4 and 5.

Parking policy explained

Residents, military members and civilian employees of the Presidio are still scratching their heads over the new parking policy, according to SFC Eugene Mitchell.

Mitchell, of the Headquarters Commandant's office, says that the policy isn't all that difficult to understand. "There are certain areas which are reserved for certain people, offices and activities. We refer to these as designated parking spaces and they are not open to anyone except authorized personnel."

According to Mitchell, it's easiest to tell which post parking spaces are reserved and require special identification tags. These spaces are:

- handicapped parking spaces
- car/van pool spaces

• key personnel spaces which are identified with the title of an office such as "commander, IG, CPO" or the word "chief."

Additionally, parking in red curb zones is not permitted under any circumstances except for emergency vehicles such as the police, fire department or ambulance.

Parking in yellow curb areas is limited specifically to the loading and unloading of material and equipment.

"People are allowed to park in a space which has no designation or just the word 'Reserved' with a number after it," says Mitchell.

Another area of confusion are parking spaces and lots which have a time limit to them, according to Mitchell.

"We have areas on this post which are not for all-day parking. For example, the spaces in front of the personnel services building (COMPACT) are one-hour spaces," says Mitchell. "Also there are areas like the parking lot at the gym, museum, post exchange and commissary. These have a time limit to them."

The military police will be giving parking violators more attention, according to Mitchell. "The MPs will be issuing citations to illegally parked vehicles and that can include military and service vehicles as well."

Another matter which is still pending is the refund of parking fees formerly charged at the Presidio. Mitchell says that the final decision has yet to be made by the courts.

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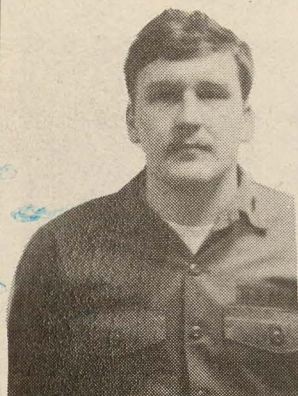
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Opinion

Ramblin' Sam

If we went to war today, do you think you could survive?



Sp4 David McHenry, 504th MP Bn.

No, because the training is realistic as far as field training exercises, but the training I've received in the company area isn't adequate enough for me to survive in a combat situation.

No, because they don't give enough training in the areas you need to know. If we go to war I think most people would rather sit back in the states and collect their paycheck for doing nothing.



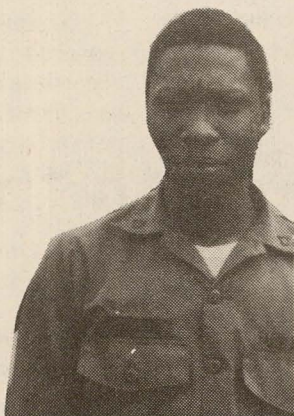
PFC James Williams, USAG Supply



PFC Danny Fellows, TMP

Hell yes if we go to war I will survive because the Army has taught me to survive under combat situations.

I could because I pay a lot of attention. Some people don't, but I do because I love life. I think the quality of training I received is sufficient to allow me to survive.



PFC Rudolph Hopkins, 170th MP Co.

Commentary

Swift pen talks trash

by K. Douglas Cook



Have you been to Inspiration Point lately? How about along Lincoln Boulevard? Some really beautiful views can be seen.

Things like paper lunch bags, foam coffee cups, decaying food, day-old copies of the downtown tabloids and, especially for you nature lovers, several, previously-used disposable diapers with flexible leg bands!

Now what better addition to nature's handiwork but a little of mankind's garbage. Old mother nature may take eons to create a bay and nurture groves of trees, but it takes real professional jerks to embellish these vistas with junk!

It's hard to say who's giving the Presidio this quaint, tobacco road, lived-in look. But I happen to know that the personnel assigned to the post police detail are in no immediate danger of running out of work.

We've been hearing rumors that some Presidio folk use Inspiration Point for lunch breaks and as a garbage dump. Seems they find the litter con-

tainers a bit full, so rather than get their hands messy and pack the litter down, they just toss it in a pile next to the can. That's soooo thoughtful.

Seems like we just spent two days cleaning up this post and, guess what, we could just about do it again. I know the people who live here just adore spending their off-duty time filling trash bags with empties of the king/queen/second-cousin of beer.

Now it's just a thought and I'm sure there are two-dozen reasons why we can't do this, but maybe we should put up signs at all the gates:

WELCOME TO THE PRESIDIO OF SAN FRANCISCO. IF YOU'VE COME HERE TO LITTER... PLEASE GO SOMEWHERE ELSE, FAR AWAY!

Maybe we should organize the mini-adults and give all of them badges which say "Litter Warden." Every time they spot a garbage pusher, they write down a license number, a name or some other piece of information and call it in to a central office.

And what should we do to the litter creeps who are caught? Well, I figure about \$50 per piece of litter should get their attention!

—Letters—

Dear Editor:

Upon our arrival to the Presidio of San Francisco, we inquired about the installation of Cablevision to our quarters. The representative at the Cablevision office stated that they could not install their system without approval. Who's approval is required to permit the utilization of this convenience? Military reservations in Hawaii, I have been informed, are already established with Cablevision, what is the difficulty here?

Thank you for your time and assistance, I was curious!

Mrs. A.J. Hendley, III

Editor's note: We forwarded Mrs. Hendley's letter to Maj. Phillip G. Patterson, chief of the Presidio's Directorate of Communications and Electronics. His reply follows.

Dear Mrs. Hendley:

We are glad you asked as this is a question which comes to light by newcomers to Presidio. Before I answer your question, let me provide you a short background on the subject. Years ago the Army could and often did provide a cable system for mili-

tary quarters, but more recently, Congress has directed us to get out of the Cable TV business and to have the service provided by a commercial organization.

Other considerations which must be approached are service, repair, capability and installation costs to the subscribers; right-of-way agreements for the company to enter Presidio; and several other legal concerns for the government.

To date, we continue to attempt to have cable TV provided the occupants of Presidio, Fts Barry, Baker and Cronkhite and progress is being made. A proposal for service is being submitted to Presidio, hopefully making it possible to provide this service in conjunction with the installation of commercial telephone service to the quarters at Presidio and Ft. Baker.

Since there is a real desire by the company and by the government to provide this service, prospects are good for an agreement to be made. The bad news is that the expected date for such service could be 18 months away providing every aspect of the agreement goes well.

**PHILLIP G. PATTERSON
MAJ, SigC
Commanding**

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Trick or treat safety urged

Tomorrow evening strange creatures, beautiful princes and princesses, elves and monsters will take over the Presidio!

The official "Trick or Treat" hours for the post and its sub-installations is set for Friday evening from 6 to 8 p.m. According to a post official, this is done to allow for holiday-related events to take place and for safety considerations.

Parents are cautioned to make sure their little ghosts and goblins have a safe Halloween. The excitement of the evening may cause the trick or treaters to forget some safety rules.

Impress on children that they should not eat anything given them until a parent or adult looks at it. Any unwrapped candy or suspicious-looking food should be discarded. If anything is discovered which could be harmful to children, parents should contact the Military Police immediately.

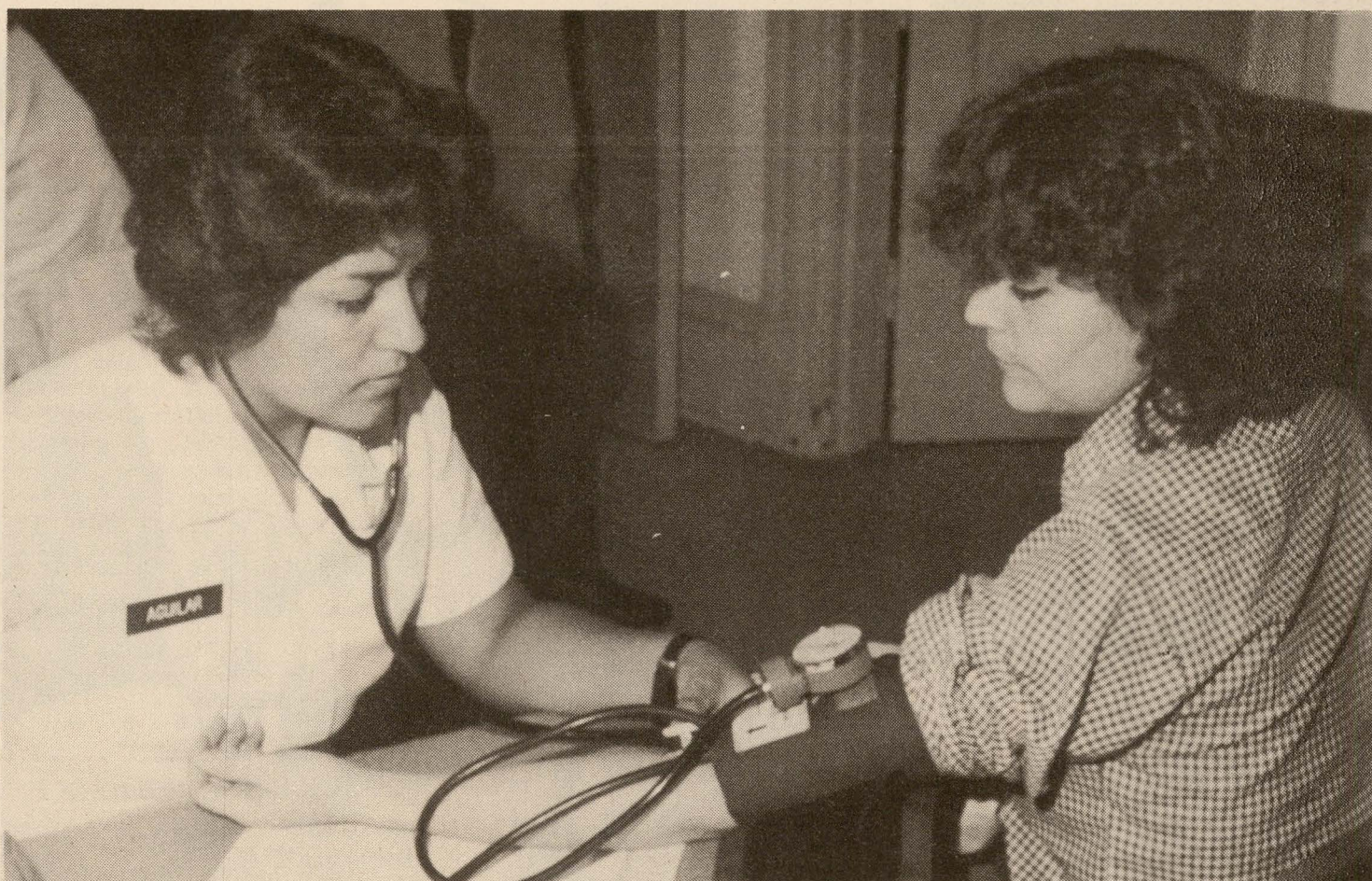


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Under pressure

Alicia Youngs, Presidio civilian worker, has her blood pressure checked during Letterman Army Medical Center's Health Faire, Oct. 22-23. The Health Faire was held in con-

junction with the Presidio's All-American Week. It offered screenings, medical information and displays.

Enlisted offered advancement

by K. Douglas Cook

Each year, many thousands of young men and women enlist in the Army to gain skills and, quite possibly, begin a long-term professional career.

The Army has many educational programs available to enlisted personnel who desire advancement. One in particular, requires some advanced planning, but could result in a college degree and a commission through the Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC).

To qualify for the program,

enlisted personnel must:

- be a U.S. citizen.
- already have completed between one and two and one-half years of college.
- have a GT score of 115 or higher.
- have served at least one year on active duty.
- meet statutory age requirements for the program.

This ROTC program allows active-

duty personnel who meet the requirements to complete their college education at one of more than 250 colleges and universities. After graduation and completion of the advanced phases of the ROTC training, the successful candidate is commissioned in the Army as a second lieutenant.

To apply for the program, interested enlisted members should send a letter to the Army ROTC Scholarship Program, Fort Monroe, Virginia, 23651.

This program pays for the full college tuition, books and fees with an additional \$1000 per year, tax free. Veteran benefit programs can also be used while in attendance at the college.

Completed applications for this program must be submitted between January 15 and April 15. Selected applicants are discharged from the Army prior to the start of the Fall semester.

For more information, contact the nearest ROTC office

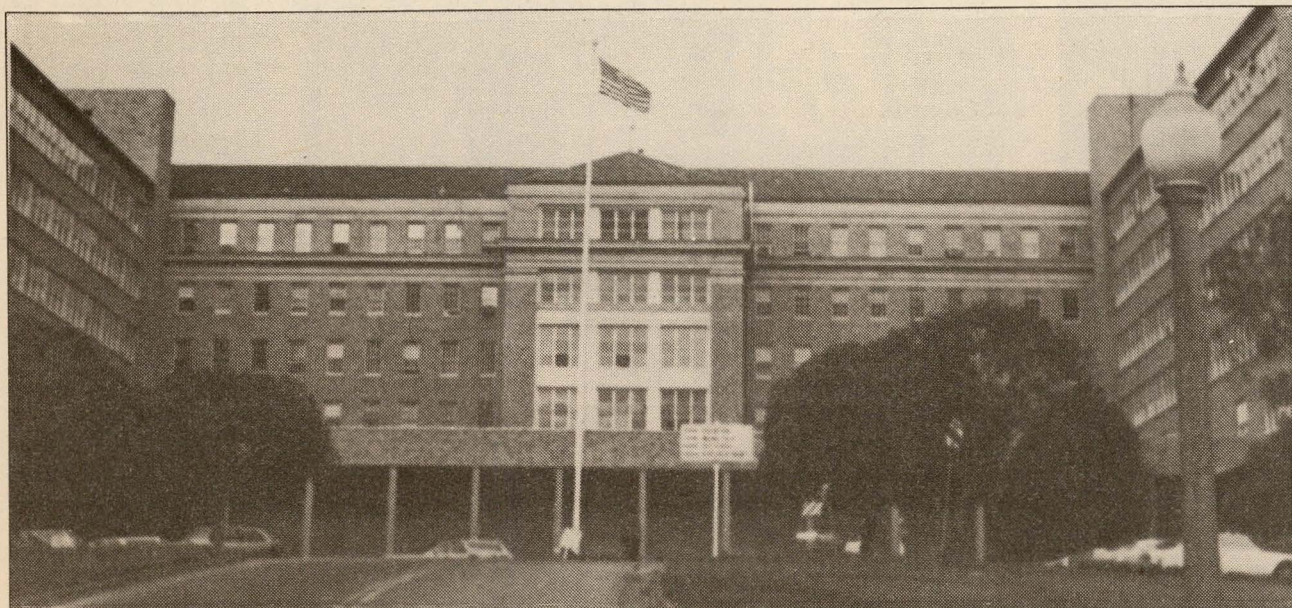


photo by Tim Dewar

Facility formerly operated as Public Health Service Hospital.

Health facility given to Presidio

Headquarters, Presidio of San Francisco takes over Sunday responsibility for the facility now being operated as the Public Health Service Hospital.

This action is taken under the provisions of Public Law 744 enacted by Congress March 3, 1927 and includes all grounds and buildings of the hospital facility located adjacent to the Presidio of San Francisco.

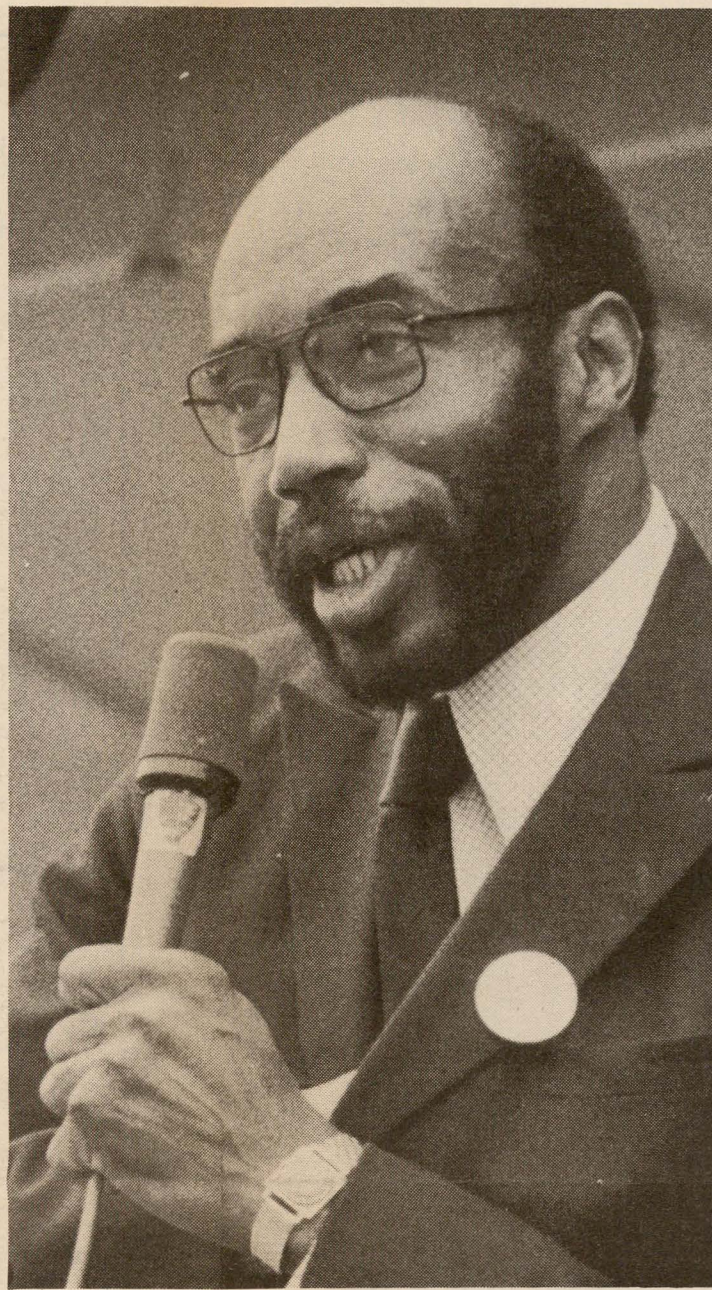
All medical care provided by the Public Health Service Hospital in San Francisco is presently being phased out and will end Saturday.

Although the hospital and its affiliated buildings will come under the control of the Presidio, final plans concerning how the structures will be used by the Army are still being made.



Pacific Island dances.

photo by Tim Dewar



Nate Thurmond, keynote speaker

photo by Bill Malkiel

All-American Week...

The sights, sounds and tastes of America's cultural heritage swirled about the Presidio Oct. 21-24, as the installation presented its second annual All-American Week.

No matter where your cultural roots extend, All-American week offered something celebrating them. Some acts performing during the event, which was staged on the main parade field, included "Ballet Jalisco" (Hispanic dancers), "Curley Gold and his Texas Tune Twisters" (Bluegrass, Country and Western), "Voices of

Legacy" (Gospel group), "Troika Balilika (Russian folk dancers and musicians), Mariam Dvorin (European balladeer) and "Tiare Otea" (Polynesian dance group).

In all, nearly a dozen performers evoked in song and dance, our cultural diversity. And there were food vendors who did the same with various ethnic dishes. A photographic display, what's more, chronicled the Chinese contributions to our nation. Nearby, a group from "Samoa Mo Samoa," a Samoan service organization, offered a glimpse of their culture

by dressing in native costumes and displaying Samoan arts and crafts.

First Lt. Jonathan J. Stein, the Presidio's Equal Opportunity officer and one of the event's organizers, said All-American Week succeeded in "Heightening Presidio's cultural awareness, both in terms of the people who attended and the units which found and recommended the acts performing."

Various Presidio units were tasked to locate performers who exemplified a particular cultural tradition.

...and impressions it made

Compiled by Kurt Wills

Nate "the Great" Thurmond, former National Basketball Association standout for 14 seasons, and All-American Week Keynote speaker:

"I think it's something the Army stands for. The San Francisco Bay Area is very cosmopolitan. You have various kinds of people such as Oriental, Spanish, etc. all consolidated in one area. All-American Week Benefits all people in the Bay

Area."

Shirley Graves, singer in "Voices of Legacy" Gospel group:

"I think All-American Week is great because it gives all ethnic backgrounds an opportunity to learn about each other's cultures."

Col. Constantine Blastos, Deputy Commander, Presidio of San Francisco:

"All American Week should be done throughout the country, so

all Americans could benefit from it. All Americans should have the opportunity to learn about different races in America. It's a great event."

Nofoalluma Tuiasosopo, founder and chairperson of "Somoa Mo Somoa":

"All-American Week is very nice. America is a nation of freedom. Our people come from a small island in the Pacific. We have very high customs and take great pride in our culture."



European ballads.

photo by D. Moreland



Food from different countries.

photo by D. Moreland



Games from other cultures.

photo by Tim Dewar

Time to spare

Theme park salutes the military

Marriott's Great America will be transformed into a world of ghosts and goblins tomorrow night and Saturday night, when the Santa Clara theme park presents Halloween Fright Nights. For this special event the park will be open 6 p.m. to midnight only.

In addition to an eerie theme and added entertainment, Great America will offer a two-for-one admission price good either night. There'll also be trick or treats for kids 12 and under. Tickets for "Halloween Fright Nights" can be purchased at the Presidio Recreation Center, Building 1331. Tickets are \$8.50 each.

Great America is also offering a special "Salute to the Military" on Sunday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Cost of admission that day is \$6.25 per person. The day's special events will end with a fabulous Fireworks Finale. Great America will be reserved Sunday for active duty personnel, retirees, their dependents, DoD civilians and their families and reservists from military installations in the Bay Area.

Great America is located just off U. S. 101 at the Great America Parkway exit.

Contemporary Dance Classes are offered at the Rec Center on Wednesdays at 8:00 p.m. Free. These classes are ongoing and may be joined at any time.

Computer Classes will resume at the Recreation Center on Nov. 10 at 7:00 p.m.

The Presidio Recreation Center will hold an All-Presidio Chess Tournament Nov. 21 beginning at 9 a.m. This tournament, which has a \$1 entry fee, is open to all members of the Presidio community. Please sign-up by Nov. 14. You can get ready for the tournament by attending the Presidio Chess Club' meeting, held at 7 p.m. Thursdays, under the auspices of Chessmaster Mike Goodall.

Other Rec Center activities include Hank's pool instruction on Thursdays at 7 p.m. and Cake Decorating classes scheduled to start Wednesday. The cost of the classes is \$20 for four weeks. Advance registration is necessary.

The San Francisco Cable Car Chorus and Barbershop Quartet will offer a presentation at the Herbst Theatre in San Francisco Nov. 7 beginning at 7:30 p.m. Dancers, comics, jugglers and singers will be included in the program. A discount of \$1 is offered to military personnel for Dress Circle and Balcony tickets. Tickets can be obtained at the Presidio Recreation Center, Building 1331. For more information, call ext. 2000 after 4 p.m.

The Herbst Theatre is located at Van Ness and McAllister.

In conjunction with Armed Forces Appreciation Month in December, the MGM Grand Hotel in Reno, Nev., offers a special discounted package available to active, retired and reserve military personnel and their families, to National Guard members and to government employees associated with the military.

Effective from Dec. 1-29 and Jan. 3-31, the economical package, called "Salute to the Military!" includes one night's lodging in a luxurious room at the MGM-Reno, a showing of Donn Arden's musical extravaganza, "Hello Hollywood, Hello!" for two persons, plus cocktails, two games of bowling at the MGM Lanes, two cocktails in any bar or lounge at the MGM and two breakfasts in the Stage Door Cafeteria. The cost is \$36 per room single or double occupancy, with additional nights costing \$30 per room.

Military personnel wishing to purchase the package may do so by calling the MGM-Reno toll-free at 800/648-5080 or at 702/789-2000.



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Fright nights

"Great America" theme park is offering special "Fright Nights" tomorrow and Saturday to celebrate Halloween. Tickets can be purchased at the Recreation Center.

The Outdoor Recreation Branch is organizing a tour of Angel Island for Nov. 14. Ferry service is \$5.25 for adults and \$2.75 for children between the ages of five and 11. It is payable upon sign-up.

Active duty personnel, dependents,

retired military, reserve component personnel and Department of Defense civilians are eligible for the outing. For more information, call 561-4234 or come by the Outdoor Recreation Office located in Building 92 between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

At the movies

Presidio Theater

Oct. 29	The Final Conflict (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 30	The Great Muppet Caper (G)	7 p.m.
Oct. 31	The Great Muppet Caper (G)	2 p.m.
Oct. 31	The Great Muppet Caper (G)	7 p.m.
Nov. 1	Blow Out (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 2	Blow Out (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 3	The Postman Always Rings Twice (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 4	Dogs of War (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 5	Zorro, The Gay Blade (PG)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Oct. 29	The Formula (R)	7 p.m.
Oct. 30	Altered States (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 2	The Final Conflict (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 3	The Great Muppet Caper (G)	7 p.m.
Nov. 4	Blow Out (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 5	The Postman Always Rings Twice (R)	7 p.m.

The Final Conflict is the third and concluding chapter in the "Omen" trilogy and climaxes the chilling saga of Damien Thorn, the son of Satan now grown to adulthood and as trusted advisor to the President.

Sports



photo by Karl Gaffney

Raiders face Earthquakes

The Presidio Earthquakes (Under 12) outplayed and outfought the Viking Raiders at Lowell High last

Saturday but had to settle for a 0-0 tie. Most of the game was played in Raiders territory, but the Earthquakes couldn't come up with a winning score.

MPs even record at 2-2

A defensive struggle between the 170th Military Police Company and the Corps of Engineers looked as though it would go into overtime. But with less than a minute remaining, the MPs forged ahead to win 3-0 on a 38-yard field goal by Johnny Lopez. The field goal barely cleared the uprights, but it was enough for the MPs to even their record at 2-2.

The game was played primarily in mid-field because big plays by both defensive units stalled scoring drives.

Other Flag Football scores: Sixth Army outlasted LAMC 22-14; USACC defeated the 864th Engineers 14-0; 16th AG trounced the Four

Seasons 24-0 and Oakland Army Base breezed past Letterman Army Institute of Research 20-0.

Team	Won	Lost
USACC	4	0
OARB	4	0
HQ Sixth Army	3	1
Corp of Engrs	2	2
16th AG	2	2
170th MP	2	2
864th Engrs	1	2
LAIR	1	3
Four Seasons	1	3
LAMC	0	4

Jimmy the Freak

Afraid to go out on a limb



The games this year are so unpredictable that I'm really afraid to go out on a limb... Oh, OK, if you insist!

Atlanta 31, New Orleans 17

The Falcons will be up for this game. They haven't been as burned up since Sherman left town.

Tampa Bay 24, Chicago 20

Chicago played their one good game of the year last week. Time to go into hibernation.

Philadelphia 27, Dallas 20

America's team is playing like an illegal alien.

Los Angeles 30, Detroit 20

The smogsville Hams find the cure for this one.

St. Louis 17, Washington 16

Bureaucrats in D.C. ordered superbowl tickets after last week's win. Too bad their team won't be there.

San Francisco 27, Pittsburgh 21

This is a shaky pick at best! If its cold, icy and raw in Pittsburgh, the elements could reverse the score.

Miami 30, Baltimore 27

The Colts offense has to get at least 31 points to win, because defense is a cinch to give up at least 30.

Buffalo 23, Cleveland 17

The case of one defense overshadowing the other. Even in the fashion world, Brown is out this year.

Cincinnati 28, Houston 20

My hunch is that the Oilers well runs dry.

San Diego 40, Kansas City 27

Dan Fouts should be smokin' this week. A big difference playing in warm San Diego rather than frozen tundra of Chicago.

New England 20, Oakland 10

The Raiders have a tough act to follow. Can they stay as inept as they've been the past few weeks?

New York Giants 28, New York Jets 27

Do you really care? Even New Yorkers don't!

Green Bay 28, Seattle 24

The Pack comes back with a weak attack while Stan takes the flack.

Upset of the Week

Minnesota 30, Denver 20

Tommy Kramer is the quarterback Craig Morton used to be 20 years ago.

Sports Shorts

Intramural basketball

The 1981-82 Intramural Basketball program will commence on or about Nov. 23. Units/activities desiring to enter a team are requested to contact Mr. Gaffney at exts 2070/5328. A rules interpretation meeting will be conducted at bldg. 63, Gym 1. Units/activities entering a team must have a representative at this meeting.

Fun run race

The Sports Branch will conduct the next three-mile "Fun Run Race" Nov. 18. Starting time is noon and the starting point is Gym number two, Building 1152. For more information contact Mr. Darling at exts. 4120 or 5032.

'Turkey Shoot' golf

An 18-hole "turkey shoot" open to military golfers only will be conducted Nov. 19. The Callaway scoring system will be used. To sign-up or obtain more information call 4120 or 5032.

Boxing team

The Sports Branch is forming a boxing team to compete in the FORSCOM championships Jan. 17-23 at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. Contact Mr. Mey at exts. 3673 or 5051 if you're interested.

Tennis lessons

Provided response is sufficient the Sports Branch will give tennis lessons at the beginning and intermediate levels for active duty personnel and their family members. Call exts. 2070 or 5032 for more information or to sign up.

Golf tourney

The First Annual Sheriff Michael Hennessey Invitational Golf Tournament will be held Nov. 9. Proceeds from the tournament, which has a \$10 entry fee, will benefit children and youth of "Friends Outside" and provide Christmas toys and food boxes for the disadvantaged during the holiday season.

The entry fee includes tee prizes, carts, green fee, dinner, entertainment and special awards. Entry is limited to 144 golfers, so those interested should call 431-8789 or 589-4065 as soon as possible.

Gymnastic teacher

A Dependent Youth Activity gymnastics instructor is needed to teach youngsters basic gymnastics. This is a contract position. All classes will be held on post after school. Individuals interested in the job must have a gymnastics background and be experienced working with youngsters. For more information, call the DYA Director at ext. 5143.

News Notes

Haunted house

The Non-Commissioned Officers Association will sponsor a "Haunted House" and Costume contest Saturday, from 7 to 10 p.m. in building 1027. The event is aimed at children 12-years and younger. Admission is 50 cents. For more information, call 751-3520.

Nursing degree

The BSN degree of the Regents of New York State recently was accredited by the National League of Nursing (NLN). A representative, Mari Anne Lettus, will be at the LAMC Nursing Education Classroom on Monday at 10 a.m. to give information and answer questions. The LAMC Education Center, which is sponsoring the representative, has all forms, tests, study guides and catalogs available to assist you in working toward this degree. For further information call LAMC Education Center, ext 4030/4791.

Art auction

The Letterman Women's Club is sponsoring an art auction Nov. 13 at the Presidio Officers Club. The exhibition starts at 6:30 p.m. and the auction at 8 p.m. Admission is free, with a hors d'oeuvres and no host bar also featured.

Stop smoking

SmokeEnders, a commercial program to help people kick the smoking habit, will conduct free introductory seminars at the Presidio on Nov. 3, 4, 5 at 7 p.m. in Building 910. This program is offered at a substantial reduction to active duty personnel, retirees, Department of the Army civilians and their family members. For more information, contact Maj. McKenzie of the Human Resource Development Division at exts. 3701 or 5730, or Allen Moir, 339-1394.

Telephone late charges

All telephone subscribers in the B register will be charged 1.5292 percent of bills unpaid over 30 days as of the October billing, in accordance with AR 37-108, paragraph 6-30f(2). The late charges will be included in the October 1981 bills. Customers who have any questions regarding the additional charge should contact the telephone desk at ext. 3513.

Creative cottage invites

The Creative Cottage, located in Building 558 across from Letterman Army Medical Center, will hold an open house Nov. 4 from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Refreshments, demonstrations of quilting, flower arranging and Christmas crafts will be featured. Everyone invited.

Clothing sales changeover

The Army Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) takes over on Monday, operation of the Presidio's Military Clothing Sales Store.

Under AAFES, Clothing Sales will be open Monday-Friday from 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday. The store will be closed Sundays and holidays.

The merger between AAFES and the Defense Personnel Support Center (DPSC) will allow comparison shopping. Items that were formerly marketed by the two agencies in separate outlets will now be side-by-side in one facility.

Presidio Clothing Sales Store officials report



Photo of the Week

This week's top photo, "On the Beach", was taken by Liz Read. If you have a photo you'd like to enter

that the new set-up should not affect the delivery schedule of military merchandise. AAFES produced items are normally available several months in advance of the standard military issue items produced by DPSC.

Chapel art exhibit

Thirty-eight paintings by San Francisco artist Grace Fitzgerald will be exhibited at the Presidio's Main Chapel (Building 130) Nov. 1-8 during normal duty hours.

The exhibit, entitled "Symbols of Grace," represents religious expression in a manner not commonly seen according to Lt. Col. Daryl Vandenburg, deputy post chaplain.

The showing will be Fitzgerald's second on the Presidio. Her religiously inspired paintings, done in acrylics and oils, received a warm response when displayed at Letterman Army Medical Center's chapel last August. Chaplain Vandenburg invites post personnel to attend the showing.

Parent effectiveness

Interested in becoming a more effective parent?

The Presidio Parent-Youth Club is sponsoring a Parent Effectiveness Training (PET) workshop during the month of November and December. This is an intensive eight-week course and is limited to 20 participants. All participants must be registered by Nov. 6. For more information, call Maj. McKenzie or Karen Wong at exts. 3701 or 5730.

in the Star Presidian's Photo of the Week contest, bring it by Room 205, Building 37.

White blood cell donors

Individuals undergoing treatment for leukemia and cancer need your help!

The Separation Section of Letterman Army Medical Center (LAMC) needs white blood cell donors on an immediate and stand-by basis. Donors will have a prescreening done and be placed in a file for contact when needed.

Needed immediately are people with type "O" or "A" positive or negative blood. Other blood types are also needed on an ongoing basis.

This donor clinic is based at LAMC and interested people should contact Ruth Koker at 561-4398 or 4458.

Free classes for seniors

California residents 60 years or older have an opportunity to attend San Francisco State University for a nominal fee of \$3 this spring. The over 60 program will waive admission and registration fees for a limited number of older students who would otherwise pay over \$250 per year as full-time students, slightly less for part-time study.

Applicants must be high school graduates and must meet other standard requirements for admission to the University.

Those interested are advised to apply early, since openings are limited and applications will be taken on a first come, first served basis.

Spring semester classes begin January 28, 1982.

For information and applications call (415) 469-2037.

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Blood you donate used at Letterman

A half-hour or 45 minutes of your time Tuesday could save someone's life. That's the last scheduled donation day for the Presidio's 1981 blood drive.

Military personnel, civilian workers and family members can donate blood at two locations on post then. Personnel from Irwin Memorial Blood Bank will be at the Log Cabin at Fort Scott from 8 a.m. to noon and at the NCO club on main post from 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

And even though a civilian organization will operate the donation centers, blood collected will be credited for use at Letterman Army Medical Center, say Billie Joe Fagan and Ruthie Adams, blood drive coordinators and management specialists for the Directorate of Personnel and Community Activities (DPCA).

Presidio's blood donation goal for

1981 is 2,000 units, but only 1,051 units have been collected so far, says Fagan. She points out that those who give blood Tuesday will be authorized four hours off from work immediately after donating. Civilians will not be docked for leave.

Fagan says a person is eligible to donate blood four times a year. She says people who, for medical reasons aren't allowed to donate blood for transfusion, can give for research purposes. Those who have had hepatitis or been in contact with someone who was infected, fall into that category.

Because the 504th Military Police Battalion and the D Company, 864th Engineer Battalion will be cleaning-up from a field training exercise Tuesday, a day will be scheduled later in the month for them to donate. Fagan says those units usually respond well to the blood drive.

Color guard represents positive image of Army

Color the 504th Military Police Battalion's Color Guard gold—as in award winning. The color guard chalked up three awards during recent competitions with color guards from other services.

According to SSgt. Gary Moulton, the color guard's NCOIC, it captured second place honors at the 3rd annual Elmhurst Day Parade in Oakland Sept. 26; first place at the 34th annual Rio Vista Bass Day Parade Oct. 4; and first place at the Horse and Carriage Day Parade Oct. 10, at Lafayette, Calif.

Besides Moulton, the Presidio color guard consists of Sgt. Jerry France, PFC James Bias, PFC Norma Colhoff and PFC Philip Styron.

In addition to appearing at civic events and parades, the color guard performs at numerous functions on the Presidio. In October, for example, Moulton said the unit appeared at 11 events, both on and off-post.

The 504th's color guard has been called the "most effective community relations asset on the Presidio."



photo by Bill Malkiel

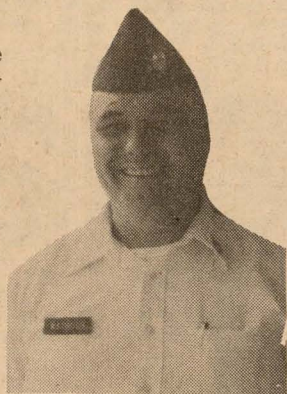
The color guard is the only contact most civilians have with the military. It's members, who are volunteers, play a vital role in conveying a positive image of the Army to the Bay Area's civilian population. They will appear at the Hayward Veterans Day parade Nov. 11.

Opinion

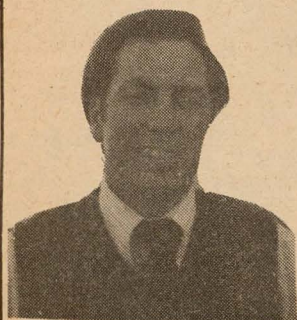
Ramblin' Sam

What is your opinion of the Association of the United States Army?

"We need someone in Washington to lobby for us, AUSA does that. I would recommend it for anyone. I've been a member since 1965 and they are the only organization that has kept up with me through all of my moves and change of stations."

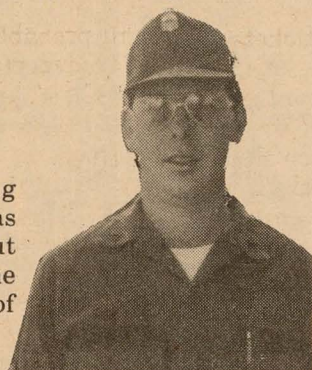


SFC Stanley Watrous USAG Dining Facility



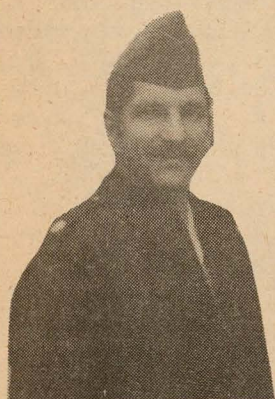
"It's the only organization in the United States totally devoted to improving the benefits and entitlements of the total Army and educating the public on the need for a modern force."

John Campbell Civilian Personnel



"I know nothing about it. No one has ever talked to me about it. This is the first time I have even heard of it."

Pvt. 2 Dave Cogan DPTSEC



"It's a pretty good program. I back it even though they don't put out a lot of publicity to tell us what they are doing to help the military. All of the lobbying they do is to help us in the military get pay raises and benefits."

Maj. Phillip Patterson USACC

Commentary

A time to remember

by K. Douglas Cook



A solitary figure stands quietly, the early morning fog wrapping around him like a gentle blanket. He looks, listens and recalls a part of his 81 years on earth.

Gathered around him are his friends who can no longer feel the chill of the morning air. Their voices reach him only in muted echoes.

Over there is John, the troop comic who frequently said that being called a Doughboy would fit well when he came home to open a bakery after the war.

Nearby are Bill, Harry and Pete, all three fine lads who could make "Over There" sound great, even if they were up to their necks in mud in a trench.

Then, just a few steps away is Charlie. His smiling face made even the worst times almost bearable while they slogged through the cold rains of France in 1944.

Shoulders stooped slightly, he walks a few more steps across the moist, grassy slopes. George and Mike wait, side by side. What fun they all had together that evening long ago when they finally crossed the Rhein River. Too bad it ended so suddenly for them.

Pulling his overcoat more tightly around him, the lone visitor turns and walks slowly up the gentle, rolling slope towards much more recent members of this silent community of Americans.

Pausing briefly, he shares unspoken words with Martha, a nurse whose comforting hands helped other young Americans overcome the pain of Korea's violent struggle before she also could no longer feel the sting of battle.

A few steps more and he arrives at the most special place. Robert was born in the twilight of his father's military career. Neither of them could ever know that his all-American spirit and drive would quickly be extinguished on a hill called Dong Ap Bia. Bob had always seen honor in his Dad's profession and, therefore, proudly wore the uniform of an American soldier.

It's hard to say whether it is the morning mist or something far more personal which glistens on the cheeks of this solitary figure.

While some will parade and make speeches on Veteran's Day, this solitary man chooses to remember in his own, quiet way. Lord willing, he will visit again and again.

As he walks back down the slope of this national resting place for freedom's defenders, their voices fill his memory. Echoes of friends and a son who have left him in body, but still live on in spirit.

Letters

Dear Editor:

Halloween has been on October 31 for centuries. Yet suddenly, without explanation, someone decides that it will be on October 30. It's simply amazing as to what the people in charge of the Presidio can do. Should we prepare for changes of the festive occasions coming in November, December and January.

An irate Presidio resident

The decision to change the trick and treat portion of Halloween from Saturday to Friday was to minimize the disruptiveness of weekend activities. Many family members had indicated to the command group that they had other plans for Saturday and would like to be free from the tradition of greeting trick and treaters that night. Thus, a change to help accommodate many post residents.

The Editor

Here's one way to get some action

There's a 24-hour service available to all Presidians who want to express an opinion, make a suggestion or file a complaint!

Call 561-LINE (5463) and record your comments.

If you desire any answer, your complaint, com-

ment or suggestion will be forwarded to the appropriate section or unit. Then it will be published within an edition of this newspaper along with whatever is determined.

The Presidio's Action Line number is 561-LINE and open all the time, just for you.

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Veterans Day observance in Hayward

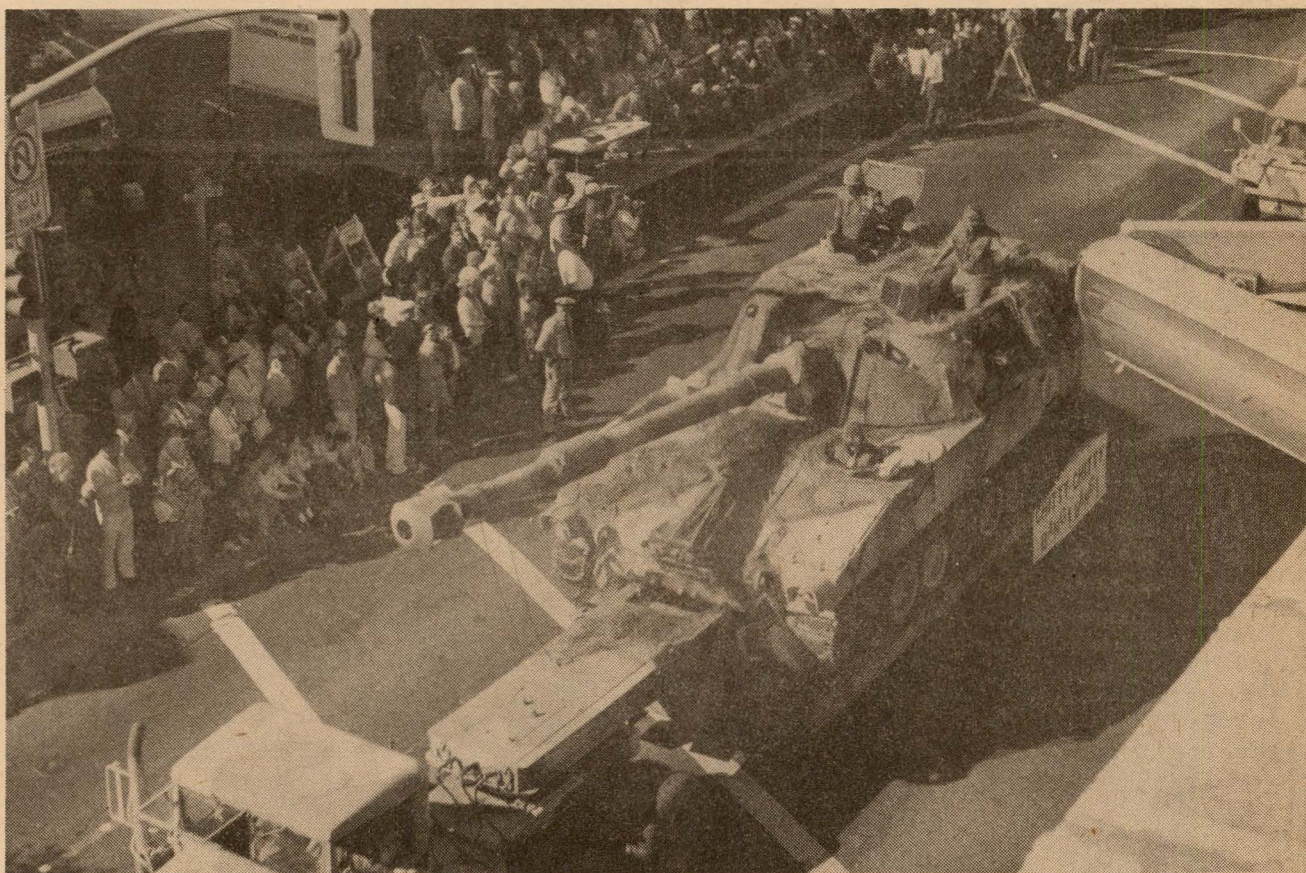
A Veterans Day parade featuring all branches of the military service will be held in Hayward, Calif., Nov. 11 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Sixth Army Band and the 504th Military Police Battalion's Color Guard will represent the Presidio.

The parade, which the public is encouraged to attend, will stress the theme "A grateful nation remembers." A military bus will be available to transport Presidio military personnel and their family members to the parade. The bus will leave the NCO club at 10 a.m. on the day of the parade.

Although honoring all veterans, the parade is dedicated to those who served in Vietnam. California Governor Jerry Brown, who will attend the parade, proclaimed Oct. 23 through Nov. 24 Vietnam Veteran recognition month.

President Reagan selected Hayward as the "Western states regional Veterans Day observance site."



The Hayward Veterans Day parade will feature all branches of the service.

US Army photo

Holiday leaves, vacations

Make travel preparations now

by Tim Dewar

If you intend to go on leave during the upcoming holidays, make your plans now. Travel officials advise advance planning to avoid delays and frustrations.

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An official from the Scheduled Airlines Ticket Office (SATO) says "Make reservations immediately if not sooner because some flights are already full."

"There are a number of steps travelers can take to make sure their vacation or leave goes as smooth as possible," explains Brice Jansen of SATO. "Buy your ticket early to avoid long lines at the airport and to

make sure you have a seat waiting for you."

Another tip to a smooth vacation says Jansen, is to "fly non-stop whenever possible to avoid layovers because of bad weather or flight cancellations."

Being able to find your luggage once you reach your destination is another important part of a successful vacation, he explains, "Put name tags on all of your bags to help locate them if they are lost, this will decrease the time you have to spend in airports."

When making reservations, travelers should check the restrictions and limitations of discount air fares

and military leave fare tickets to make sure they are eligible. "A lot of promotional fares or discount fares have restrictions that may make it harder to exchange or switch flights in an emergency, check them out carefully," Jansen urges.

If travelling to resort areas over the holidays, Jansen asks Presidians to remember, "The resorts are generally booked a long time in advance, some times as long as a year. It is a good idea to double check reservations and travel arrangements before leaving."

Although Jansen feels the air traffic controllers strike may cause flights to be even more crowded, he adds that all forms of transportation

will probably be crowded. "All forms of transportation will be busy so plan for a little extra travel time in high traffic areas."

Presidians who wish to make travel arrangements can do so easier by visiting SATO rather than going out to the airport, according to Jansen. "People think they must have the money for the ticket when they make reservations, but this is not true. They can pay us when they come to pick the ticket up."

SATO is located in the basement of Bldg. 39 or can be reached by calling ext. 2920. "But," Jansen adds, "pay-days are our busiest day, so if they can make it on a day other than pay-day, they will probably get served faster."

Walk-to-Work Day scheduled

Besides being a famous Army tradition, walking is good exercise. It also saves fossil-fuel energy.

With that in mind, The Presidio of San Francisco will hold its first annual Walk-to-Work Day Nov. 16.

The Walk-to-Work Day will also kick-off the Presidio's Energy Awareness Week, Nov. 16-20. Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., the Presidio's commander, says the Walk-to-Work day "is designed to create an individual awareness of the critical energy constraints facing our nation and military. All residents of the Presidio are urged to participate in this event by walking to your place of work Nov. 16."

Soldiers assigned to the U.S. Army Garrison will be excused from physical training that day. And commands and staff agencies with 100 percent participation are eligible for a Presidio of San Francisco Certificate of Achievement.

Civilian employees who live within walking distance also are encouraged to leave their vehicles at home that day. More information about the Walk-to-Work Day can be obtained by dialing ext. 3636.

Besides walking to work, the Presidio will observe Energy Awareness Week with seminars, displays, posters and other material. Specific details will be available in next week's *Star Presidian*.



photo by D. Moreland

Halloween parade

Children from the Presidio Day Care Center celebrate Halloween by parading to Letterman Army Medical Center. In all, about 130 children partici-

pated. The little girl on the left, Andreanna Jarwin, wore a costume consisting of 150 balloons.

Don't find valuables missing when you return from leave

by Tim Dewar

To avoid being a victim of crime over the holidays, Presidians are urged to protect their valuables while on leave or vacation.

"Number one, lock everything up inside your house if you are going to be gone for any length of time," explains Sgt. Murray Raisor 504th MP Bn. Crime Prevention NCO, "so someone can't come along and help themselves to something that is in your yard."

Securing valuables is half of the battle according to Raisor. "Fifty to fifty-five percent of the larcenies that occur on post are of unsecured items. This means that half of all the burglaries could be prevented if people would secure their valuables," he observes.

"Right now," Raisor points out, "the Presidio is in the highest crime wave it has had in almost two years, and it's still on the increase."

"Barracks dwellers should inventory all personal property and turn it in to their company supply section before going on leave to prevent theft of their valuables," Raisor notes. "Every company has a place for personnel to store their things while they are gone on leave and everyone should take advantage of it."

For quarters residents, those who will be away over the holidays, Raisor suggests either of two programs to help protect valuables while they're gone.

"We have a quarters check program where MPs will come by and check your quarters periodically

while you are away, or we have the neighborhood watch program."

Raisor suggests the neighborhood watch program for anyone who can find a neighbor they trust to keep an eye on their quarters. "But," Raisor cautions "do only one or the other because the MPs might mistake your neighbor for someone who is trying to break in."

If a neighbor can't be found, electrical timers can be used to turn on and off lights while you are away. "The timers are usually less than \$10 and most can be programmed for long periods of time."

MP patrols have been increased and, as Raisor notes, are working at maximum levels and will continue to do so through the holiday season.

Raisor feels the increase in crime during the holidays may be due to the fact that people leave more bags and packages in unsecured automobiles. "Many people on the Presidio don't lock their cars and someone will steal a bag of garbage just to see what's in it if they can. One of the biggest holiday crimes is larcenies from vehicles."

While making security checks through post parking areas, Raisor explains he found a burglar's heaven. "I found everything from doctor's equipment to purses laying in plain sight in unsecured automobiles. They should at least put them in their trunk."

A few easy steps could mean the difference between an enjoyable holiday vacation and a visit to the MP station to report a larceny.



Many of the 301 CFC supported agencies aid the handicapped. . .

Labor supports charity drive

The local head of the American Federation of Government Employees union has pledged his organization's continued support for the Combined Federal Campaign.

In so doing, Lawrence L. Laughlin made a generous contribution to CFC and stressed that the drive is of great importance to labor as well as management.

Overall, the Presidio's 1981 Combined Federal Campaign drive is nearing the halfway mark. Lt. Col. John Burke, Headquarters, PSF, CFC director, said the campaign is proceeding without any difficulty and that about 41 percent of the Presidio's \$32,000 goal has been reached.

Before the drive ends Nov. 30, Presidio's estimated 3,000 military and civilian workers will have an opportunity to contribute to their favorite charities at the local, national and international level.



...and the elderly.



photo by John Green

Seventh Fleet

Part of the flotilla of nine U.S. Navy warships, manned by 2,500 personnel, sail into San Francisco Bay Oct. 29. The arrival of the navy ships signaled the beginning of "Fleet Week" in San Francisco, traditionally called "the best liberty

port in the world." San Francisco welcomed the visiting sailors enthusiastically. Many Bay Area residents flocked to the Marin Headlands, the Marina Green and Crissy Field to watch the warships sail.

Dental Activity keeps 'em smiling

by Linda Spillane

Remembering that the Army moves on it's stomach, one shouldn't forget the natural or artificial appliances needed to consume daily nutritional needs.

At the Naval Air Station in Alameda is the Regional Dental Activity (RDA). Not just another dental clinic, the Alameda RDA is the second largest of the Army's four dental laboratories. The RDA's significant mission is to fabricate fixed and removable dental prosthetic replacements.

Tasked with supporting the Western area of the United States including Alaska, Hawaii and the far-east, the Alameda RDA also works with the other RDAs. According to Col. Henry B. Moore, Alameda RDA's acting commander, the facility receives up to 2,000 treatment cases per month that require

from three to 15 days in the laboratory to complete. "The RDA also researches and develops new materials, techniques and equipment which can increase productivity," he continues. "If it works here, it'll work anywhere."

A complete dental laboratory, the Alameda RDA is staffed by 60 enlisted and 20 civilian Laboratory Technicians along with administrative support of seven civilians and five military members. Three officers round out the staff, two being Prosthodontists, who serve in the Command ranks and the other being a Medical Service Corps officer.

Seldom is an Army activity found on a Navy installation. But since the early 1950s, that's been the location of the Alameda RDA. "We have a unique situation here," acknowledges Capt. Larry E. Raaf Executive Officer, Alameda RDA. "We report directly to Health Ser-

vices command," he says. "And," he adds, "we have support agreements with the Navy, the LAMC Comptroller and Presidio COMPACT. We take care of our budget and we have our own supply."

Raaf also mentions that the RDA's name is scheduled for change. "Our new name, pending final approval will be US Army Area Dental Laboratory, Alameda. Which says exactly what we are, a dental lab."

"Our people, the dental lab technicians, are skilled craftsmen who construct bridges, prosthetic devices—dentures. Crowns are also made here," he continues "with molds made in clinics by dentists, then sent here with prescriptions for construction."

The Alameda RDA's goal says Raaf is to "insure patients receive quality dental prosthetic devices as soon as possible.

In 1980 the enlisted personnel of the Alameda RDA displayed their professionalism by having a SQT pass rate of 100 percent. Raaf notes that during the current year, the soldiers at RDA did similarly well.

Recently the RDA staff came off two months of working overtime. Done to decrease the time in-laboratory for prosthetic cases, the military members worked 44-hour weeks while the civilians worked 48-hour weeks.

The Alameda RDA finds that fluctuations do occur in their workload and Col. Moore says the heaviest is during the winter time. This is probably due to the holidays and perhaps a settling in period of many newly transferred service members he says.

Providing this necessary service for many service members, the Alameda RDA keeps 'em smiling.

Time to spare

'Death of a Salesman' at Playhouse

The Presidio Playhouse will open its 15th Season with "Death of a Salesman," Arthur Miller's classic American drama. The play won both the Pulitzer Prize and the Drama Critics Circle Award when it was first produced on Broadway in 1949. The Presidio Players' production of this famous play will be presented on Fridays & Saturdays, Nov. 13, 14, 20, 21, and December 4, 5, 11, 12, at 8 p.m. There will be one Sunday performance on Nov. 22 at 7 p.m. Tickets will be available at the Playhouse Box Office from 1-5 p.m., except Sundays, and 30 minutes before performances, beginning Nov. 9. Tickets are \$3.00, and \$1.00 less for military personnel, dependents, retired military, and reservists, upon presentation of ID card. Call 561-3992 for any further information.

Tryouts for the second production of the season, "Fallen Angels," will be held on Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 23 and 24, from 7:30-10:30 p.m., at the Playhouse. This frothy Noel Coward comedy needs a cast of 3 men and 3 women. Tryouts are open to anyone interested. After Nov. 15, call the Playhouse from 1-5 p.m. for a specific appointment time on one of the above dates. Backstage production staff members are always needed in set construction and painting, stage lighting, properties, costuming, and the many jobs that are needed done in theatrical production. If you are not interested in becoming a "Star," but would like to get involved, contact the Playhouse and come join in the fun—and hard work! Rehearsals and technical work sessions are held after normal duty hours and on weekends.

New York's Primavera String Quartet will perform a free concert on Sunday, Nov. 22, at 3 p.m., in the McKenna Theatre, located in the Creative Arts Building at San Francisco State University, 1600 Holloway Ave. The concert, sponsored by the May Treat Morrison Chamber

Foundation, will feature Mozart's String Quartet in C Major, and string quartets by Debussy and Ruth Crawford Seeger.

The Primavera is one of the few all-women ensembles anywhere. The Quartet was formed in 1975 and two years later won the prestigious Naumberg Foundation Award for Chamber Music. Their annual appearances take them to major music centers throughout the United States, England, Brazil and Canada.

Three other free concerts are scheduled for the 1981-82 Morrison Artists' Series: Glinka String Quartet, from the Soviet Union (February 7), Borodin Piano Trio, from New York (March 14) and the Boehm Wind Quintette, from New York (April 18). For further information on the Series, call the Creative Arts Box Office noon to 4 p.m. weekdays, at (415) 469-2467.

Orientation classes on ski safety and maintenance will be conducted by Outdoor Recreation in Building 92 at noon Nov. 17, 5 p.m. Nov. 19 and 5 p.m. Nov. 24. Individuals authorized to check out skis from Outdoor Recreation must attend one of these classes before equipment can be issued. Personnel who attended a class last year are not required to attend one this year. Classes for December will be announced later.

In addition to classes on using and maintaining ski equipment, Outdoor Recreation is organizing a number of trips to Lake Tahoe. The first ski trip is scheduled for Dec. 4-6 and is limited to active duty Presidio soldiers E-5 and below. Those interested should call ext. 4324 for more information.

Art and wine, traditional companions through time, are the focus of a Sonoma County tour Nov. 14. Both fine art and craft work will be featured on this tour. Visits will be made to studios of selected artists, where participants may meet artists



Photo by Andres and Janet Novak

Presidio Players

Jim Bonner, David Faw, Betty Coleman, and Kent Baldwin (left to right) play the Loman family in the Presidio Players' production of Arthur Miller's multi prize winning play, "DEATH OF A SALESMAN," opening at the Presidio Playhouse on November 13.

and make purchases if desired. There will be a lunch stop at a small family-owned winery where tour members can enjoy wine tasting and a winery tour. Refreshment stops at historical sites will be offered, too. The tour is limited to 10 persons. Please call the Recreation Center at ext. 2000 for more details.

The Outdoor Recreation Branch is organizing a tour of Angel Island for Nov. 14. Ferry service is \$5.25 for adults and \$2.75 for children between the ages of five and 11. It is payable upon sign-up.

Three members of the Presidio, captured honors in the All-Army Photography contest.

SSgt. James L. Edwards of Headquarters, Western Region Recruiting Command, won first place of "Best of Show" with his experimental, black and white print entitled "In the Eyes

of the Beholder."

Sp4 Ralph Rose of Headquarters Company, U. S. Army Garrison, Presidio, captured a third place in color transparencies and Capt. William Hooks, of Letterman Army Medical Center, received an honorable mention for his color slide entitled "Carousel."

The contest was the conclusion of the Presidio level photography contest held in August.

San Francisco State's Jazz Ensembles, directed by Cal Lewiston, will perform Sunday, Nov. 15, at 3 p.m., in the McKenna Theatre, located in the Creative Arts Building at San Francisco State University, 1600 Holloway Ave. For reservations and further information call the Creative Arts Box Office, noon to 4 p.m. weekdays, at (415) 469-2467.

At the movies

Presidio Theater

Nov. 5	Zorro, The Gay Blade (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 6	Zorro, The Gay Blade (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 7	The Bugs Bunny, Road Runner Movie (G)	2 p.m.
Nov. 7	Honky Tonk Freeway (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 8	Dragonslayer (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 9	Dragonslayer (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 10	Raging Bull (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 11	Nighthawks (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 12	Wolfen (R)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Nov. 5	The Postman Always Rings Twice (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 6	The Postman Always Rings Twice (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 9	Zorro, The Gay Blade (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 10	Honky Tonk Freeway (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 11	Dragonslayer (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 12	Raging Bull (R)	7 p.m.

Presidio Preview

The rise, fall and comeback of 1948 middleweight boxing champ Jake LaMotta is the subject of "The Raging Bull".

Sports



US Army photo

Who me?

The Presidio's 1981-1982 intramural basketball program is set to begin on or about Nov. 23. Units and activities interested in entering a team should

contact Mr. Gaffney at exts. 2070 or 5328. A rules interpretation meeting will be held Nov. 18 at 1:30 p.m. at the Main gym.

Jimmy the Freak

Not against the home team



to remember that this week.

In case you haven't noticed, the Freak had a fair record last week. As my dear old Dad, Jim the Freak, Sr., used to tell me ever so gently... "Don't pick against the home team, dummy!" I'll try

quarterback for the Rams. If Haden plays, give the other team 30 points and the home field advantage.

Denver 20, Cleveland 16

If the Broncos' defense plays as well against the Browns as they did against the Vikings, Cleveland may have trouble scoring even 16 points.

San Diego 40, Cincinnati 27

Look for plenty of points in this game. Gee, I always thought that Wes Chandler was a lead actor in grade B movies! He's making people forget "what's-his-name"... you know... Tom Jefferson.

Kansas City 24, Chicago 13

The Chiefs will be in the Super Bowl, but not this year. This is the NFL team of the future.

Minnesota 30, Tampa Bay 17

The best and the worst of pro quarterbacks in this game. Tommy Kramer is about the best. Guess what Doug Williams is?

Green Bay 24, New York Giants 20

After the Giants lost to the Jets, I lost all respect for their ability as a team.

Detroit 26, Washington 17

The Redskins play like the title to the movie "The Good, the Bad and the Ugly". Oh, well, one of out three isn't bad.

Houston 27, Oakland 17

In case you haven't been paying attention, the Raiders never win on artificial grass. That isn't Kentucky Blue they have inside the Astrodome.

San Francisco 28, Atlanta 24

The 49ers are for real. Any team that gets shown during the halftime highlights of Monday Night Football two weeks in a row, has got it made.

Dallas 30, Buffalo 24

Dallas always shows off on Monday nights. With their cheerleaders, they should be able to jiggle... I mean wiggle off the hook in this close game.

UPSET OF THE WEEK

Baltimore 112, New York Jets 110

But only if the Jets promise not to pass!

Sports Shorts

Flag football standings

The Presidio's Intramural Flag Football program was rained out last week. The league standings remain the same.

Swim team recruiting

Aquarius Swim Team will hold a recruit swim meet at LAMC's Pool, Nov. 20 from 4 to 6 p.m. Dependents of active duty and retired personnel between 6-18 yrs. of age are most welcomed. For more information call 567-8159. In addition, the swim team will hold a Swimathon for the Combined Federal Campaign Saturday from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Letterman pool. Come watch the swimmers swim for CFC.

Advanced life saving

A 10-week Advanced Life Saving Course for active duty personnel, family members (18 or older) Department of the Army civilians and reserve personnel will be conducted at the swimming pool, located in Building 1551. The program will be offered on Wednesdays. Call Mr. Mey at exts. 3673 or 5051 for more information.

Open tennis

The Fulton and Richmond Playgrounds Open Tennis Tournament will take place Saturday and Sunday, November 7-8, at the Golden Gate Park Courts. Play is open in the following classes: Mens and Womens (19-35 years and 35 years and above), Singles and Doubles; Boys and Girls (18 years and under) Doubles.

Ranking players may not participate.

All proceeds from the tournament will be used to promote tennis programs in the Richmond District.

Trophies will be given to first and second place finishers in all classes.

Special Olympics dinner

San Francisco Special Olympics kicks off its 1981-82 year Monday evening, Nov. 16, with a benefit hosted by The Rusty Scupper restaurant, 1800 Montgomery St. at the Embarcadero. Proceeds from all dinners and drinks served to the public between 5 and 11 p.m. will benefit the athletes in this year's Special Olympics programs.

The community is invited to spend the evening with local media and sports celebrities, and to enjoy live entertainment in the restaurant's upstairs lounge. Dinner reservations must be made in advance by calling The Rusty Scupper, 986-1180.

Now in its tenth year, San Francisco Special Olympics provides sports training and competition for mentally retarded athletes of all ages. The volunteer organization recruits coaches, chaperones, and fund raisers to share their time and talent in coordinating events throughout the year. Further information about the program is available by calling San Francisco Special Olympics at 221-6575.

News Notes

Ceremony change

The retirement ceremony for November 1981 will be on November 24. This is a change from the previously announced date of November 19.

Chapel program

The November "Soup and Scholar" program at the Post Chapel will be on Nov. 13 at the Post Chapel from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Rev. Michael Cook, professor at the Jesuit School of Theology, Berkeley, will speak on "Current Trends in Christology." A free-will offering will be accepted to defray the cost of the lunch. All are welcome.

Cafeteria hours change

The Presidio's Main Exchange Cafeteria will change its operating hours beginning Nov. 13. Starting then, the cafeteria will be opened Mon-Fri from 6:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays, and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sundays and holidays.

Wives club bazaar

The Presidio Officers Wives Club Fall Bazaar will be held Nov. 18 from 10:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Presidio Officers Club in the main ball room. The club is still reserving tables for vendors, so if you have goods you would like to sell, contact Jan Peate ext. 2574 or Barbara Aiken ext. 2305.

A special childrens' booth is planned from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Bring your children and let them start their Christmas shopping. No parents will be allowed in this special room.

Red Cross class

The American Red Cross will conduct a two-session Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) class Nov. 18 and 20 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Please call ext. 2187 to sign-up.

Contact us Melissa

The coordinators of the Non-Commissioned Officers Association's "Haunted House", Oct. 31 want the parents of Melissa, who came dressed as a witch, to contact them at 561-6052.

Jewelry show

The Presidio Officer's Wives Club is sponsoring a James Jewelry Show at the Presidio Officer's Club Sat. and Sun. from 11:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Mr. James has all kinds of jewelry and brass items. This is a good chance for you to do your Christmas shopping early.

Transportation to parade

A military bus will be available to transport Presidio military personnel and their family members to the Veterans Day parade in Hayward Nov. 11. The bus will leave the Presidio NCO club at 10 a.m. The Sixth Army Band and the Color Guard from the 504th Military Police Battalion will represent the Presidio in the Parade.

Dinner benefit

Electronics entrepreneur H. Ross Perot will be the featured speaker at a "Salute to the Armed Services" dinner benefiting the United Service Organizations (USO) to be held at the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco on Nov. 11. Proceeds from the event will aid the USO's local and international programs.



Photo of the Week

Leonard Sauers of LAIR, this week's Photo of the Week winner may have just been monkeying

Perot, founder and chairman of the board of Electronic Data Systems (E.D.S.) in Dallas, Texas, will discuss the jailbreak he engineered in early 1979 to rescue E.D.S. employees who had been imprisoned in Iran. A 1953 graduate of the Naval Academy, Perot served in the navy prior to founding E.D.S. in 1962.

Dinner will begin at 7:30 and will be preceded by a no-host cocktail hour. "The Extras," a musical variety group which has toured with the USO, will provide the entertainment. Tickets cost \$125 per person and are available by table. Tickets and additional information may be obtained from the USO dinner committee office, 433-7940.

Dough art class

Workshops on making dough art Christmas tree decorations will be held Nov. 21, 28 and Dec. 5 and 12. Each workshop will meet from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; a \$7 fee per person includes lunch. Since these workshops are very popular, it's urged that those interested register early. Stop by the Post Crafts Shop, Building 122, or call 4497 to register.

Post police's number

Those soldiers who do their best to keep the Presidio clean and litter-free—the post police—have new telephone numbers. They can be contacted by calling exts. 5174 or 5175. Those are also the numbers of the 51st Engineer Detachment.

Exceptional performance

The programs and budget officer for the Directorate of Reserve components Support became the Presidio's first civilian worker to receive an

around when he took this, but it will go on to face other photo of the week winners.

Exceptional Performance Award under the revised performance appraisal system.

Barbara Morgan, who has worked for the DRCS for about four years, was presented the award Oct. 30 by Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., post commander.

Defense positions

The Defense Investigative Agency is recruiting for secretarial, clerical and investigative positions at locations throughout the Western United States, including the Presidio of San Francisco.

For application procedures or more information contact Mrs. Farr at 561-3205 or 561-3728.

Soldier of quarter

Presidio's Soldier of the Quarter for this quarter is a 25-year-old specialist five who is originally from Trinidad.

Sp5 Neil Alfred of Compact who earned Soldier of the Quarter honors this quarter and is planning to attend the Primary Leadership Course next week says, "I have been on the Presidio for one year and five months and I like it very much. It is a very beautiful post."

Alfred, who has earned both the Army Commendation Medal and DA Certificate of Achievement adds, "I feel a good soldier is someone who is motivated to do his best, whatever he is doing."

Art auction

The Letterman Women's Club is sponsoring an art auction Nov. 13 at the Presidio Officers Club. The exhibition starts at 6:30 p.m. and the auction at 8 p.m. Admission is free, with a hors d'oeuvres and no host bar also featured.

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Army update

New rating procedures

Active duty officers assigned to reserve units may soon be rated in the officer evaluation reporting systems (OER) by reserve officers, according to personnel officials.

"In the past, active duty officers could not be rated by a reserve component officer," explains WO1 Alfonse Dixon, chief personnel records, COMPACT, "This will take effect this month as soon as we receive the change which is being prepared now," he adds.

Sponsors not required

Family members of most USAR unit members are no longer required to have their service sponsors present every time they shop at post exchanges.

The House Armed Services committee has ruled that dependents of reservists who are assigned to troop program units are entitled to one day of unaccompanied exchange shopping for each day of inactive duty for training (IDT) performed by the reservist.

To shop unaccompanied, family members must present the reservist's leave and earnings statement or a unit letter of authorization. They also must have a driver's license or some other form of identification to verify their relationship to the sponsor. (ARNEWS)

Travel agreement

Because of an agreement between the Department of Defense and the Air Traffic Association, all travelers on government business must now make initial reservations with the Scheduled Airlines Traffic Office (SATO). Tickets will still be issued by the Transportation Division, however.

The Presidio's SATO is located in the basement of Building 39. Personnel should bring a copy of their orders when making reservations. A spokesman for the Presidio Transportation Division says the new system will save the government money because SATO has computer access to the latest fares and discounts offered by the airlines.



US Army photo

'Yankee Samurai'

Japanese American soldiers study Japanese military jargon at a military intelligence school established in a hangar at the Presidio's Crissy Field in November 1941. The students trained by the school are credited with saving thousands of

American lives during World War II and bringing an early end to the fighting in the Pacific. See page 5 for their story and photos from a Presidio Army Museum dedicated to them.

Thoughtful energy use goal

You can start Energy Awareness Week, Nov. 16-20, by leaving your vehicle at home. All Presidio residents—and civilians who live within walking distance—are urged to participate Monday in the Presidio's first annual Walk-to-Work Day.

Presidio energy officials hope the Walk-to-Work day and other events planned in the coming week will achieve two objectives:

Familiarize people with the Army's continuing efforts to save fossil-fuel energy and demonstrate that we can all conserve energy by altering our lives in small ways—whether it be walking-to-work a couple of days a week or turning off an unneeded light or electrical appliance.

"We're not attempting to overwhelm people with energy conservation," says W. H. Prugh, post energy conservation coordinator. "We're just

trying to have people be more thoughtful about the way they use energy. We want them to question whether or not their ways of using energy are wasteful."

By 1983, Prugh said, the Presidio is expected to cut its consumption of electricity and natural gas by 20 percent from the 1978 level. That goal is a becoming increasingly difficult, he noted, and can be attained "only through the help of the entire military community."

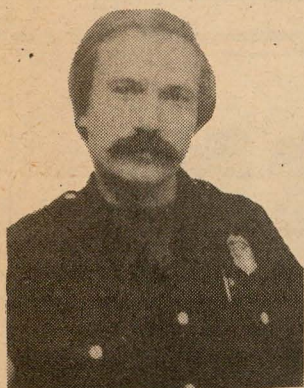
To raise the Presidio's energy consciousness, several events besides the Walk-to-Work Day are scheduled for next week.

For example, a guest speaker from Pacific Gas and Electric will address personnel from Presidio units Nov. 18 at the post theater. Letterman Army Medical center has scheduled a similar event at Tourney Hall.

Opinion

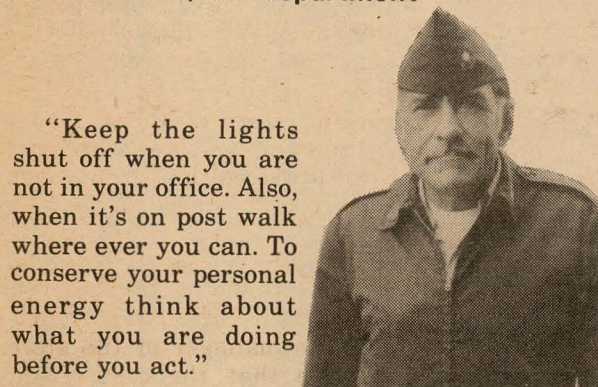
Ramblin' Sam

What steps do you recommend to conserve energy?



Jeff Croswell, fire department

"I go around turning down thermostats all the time. Also any empty rooms I find with the lights on I turn them off if they are not needed."

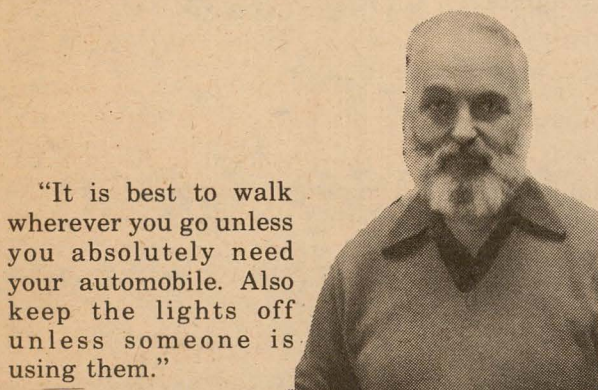


Sgt. Maj. George Hudnell Sixth Army



Sp4 Terry Tucker, USACC

"I ride the shuttle bus to work instead of driving my car. I also turn off the lights when they are not needed."



William Malkiel, Photo Facility

"It is best to walk wherever you go unless you absolutely need your automobile. Also keep the lights off unless someone is using them."

Letters

I recieved virtually no pay increase

Hello Action Line:

I am concerned and angry about being in the special pay category. For all practical purposes, I am receiving no pay increase in 1981. Yet, I am expected to continue to perform to acceptable standards while taking a relative loss in pay!

I contacted the Office of Personnel Management in San Francisco and asked to speak with a decision-maker. I was put off, rudely treated and, subsequently, recontacted by an administrative person who would only answer questions. In conversation, this individual made it quite clear that she was not really interested in my situation nor were her supervisors!

I requested the telephone number of Mr. Devine in Washington, but was told they didn't have it. Finally, after persisting, I was given the address and was informed that, if I called, I would not be allowed to speak with a decision-maker as was the case locally.

Is this the way a federal civilian employee should be treated in a democracy?

Joan Collins
6th US Army

Editor's note: A copy of Collins' Action Line comments was forwarded to the Office of Personnel Management in San Francisco. They are either late in responding or have decided not to.

Dear Ms. Collins

Other than the information previously provided, we are unable to provide you with additional information. Your concerns regarding the "pay raise" you and others on special salary rates (including doctors, nurses and many others) are shared by this office.

We have been and will continue to work with the Office of Personnel Management's (OPM) Western Regional Office to assure proper salary adjustment decisions by OPM's headquarters as soon as possible.

The reason Mr. Devine (Director, OPM) gives for his decision is that language in Title V of the United States Code prohibits him from taking action other than he did until the salary data provided his headquarters by all Regions throughout the country is reviewed and a final decision made. At that time, whatever adjustments are required all will be made (most likely in January 1982); but will not be retroactive.

Don Binder
Chief, Employment Branch

There were no citations issued that day

Dear Editor:

On Sept. 20 I had a chat with an officer from the office of the Provost Marshal on the subject of parking in and around the intersection of Hoffman Street and Armistead Road. It seems that the Commander had tasked him to contact his neighbors and seek their cooperation in abiding by the additional parking restrictions being imposed, i.e. a new red curb extending south from Lincoln Blvd. to the aforementioned intersection. Failure to cooperate would result in the issuance of Magistrate Citations by the Military Police.

I cautioned the officer at that time that his credibility would be on the line the very first time that there was an event on, under, or around the Golden Gate Bridge and the public was allowed to park where ever they pleased, as I have seen them do for over four years.

When the Fleet came in two weeks ago during the lunch hour, I took a few photographs. I photographed a line of cars parked along a red curb, beginning right next to the sign that reads, "Guests and Residents Only". I photographed cars parked along Hoffman Street where the residents of Lincoln Blvd. usually park (but not today). I photographed CHP motorcycle officers directing traffic on Lincoln Blvd. There were no citations issued. There were no MPs.

Thomas P. Galvin
964 Lincoln Blvd.

When visiting the residents who live near the red curb zone, it was explained that bus drivers are experiencing some difficulty in traveling Hoffman Street when there are vehicles parked in the red zone. Additionally, if vehicles continue to be parked there, especially in the mornings and late afternoon hours when children are being bussed, this red zone parking situation could force the bus drivers to use an alternate route, thus causing an inconvenience for all parents with children of young ages. It was further explained that parking in the red curb zone was in violation of a California Vehicle Code. This code reads, in part, red indicates no stopping, standing, or parking, whether the vehicle is attended or unattended. Failure to comply with this code could result in the issuance of a parking citation. There are circumstances, however, where enforcement of the red zone code is waived due to special events, which is determined only by the Commander, Presidio of San Francisco and the Provost Marshal.

In summary, all red curb zones on Presidio indicate no parking and violators can be issued citations. However, the Provost Marshal's intention is not to see how many parking or traffic citations that can be issued, but rather, enforce discipline, law and order through good community relations on the Presidio.

Daniel C. Hennigan
CPT, MP
Deputy Provost Marshal

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Swimmers, runners provide support for charity drive

Apart from individual donations, the Presidio's 1981 Combined Federal Campaign is receiving support from other sources.

Eighteen members of the Aquarius Swim Team, for example, swam more than 34 miles on Nov. 8 and received \$900 in pledges for CFC.

A "Fun run" to benefit CFC is scheduled for Nov. 21. The run begins at 10 a.m. and the starting point is the Letterman Army Medical Center flagpole. Entry fee for the run, which will feature two-mile and 6.2 mile classes, will be \$3. Call Chuck

Dasey at exts. 5079 or 4427 for more information or to sign-up.

Perhaps the most ambitious project to help CFC is scheduled for Nov. 23 and 24. Major Ralph Cruikshank, chief of Sixth Army's Automation Management Office, MSgt. Dennis Lambert and associates intend to run at least 190 miles for CFC. The endurance run will last 24 hours without stopping and be conducted on the parade field in front of Building 38.

Cruikshank said donations of five-to-25 cents will be accepted for each mile covered.



CFC Funds help those who can't swim or run.

Battledress uniform sold on priority

The Army and the Presidio are entering a new era in uniforms in the near future. Soon the Army's new battledress uniform (BDU) will make its debut on post.

Developed by the army's research arm to offer modern-day soldiers better operational cover and concealment in the field, the BDU should go on sale by the end of this month.

"We have large quantities on order," says Chris Kriesler, manager of the Presidio's Clothing Sales Store. "Shipment should take place to us shortly and we're hopeful that we can commence sales of the new uniform as soon as possible."

Due to the new introduction of the uniform and the massive task of converting to the BDU, sale of the uniform will be tightly controlled, according to officials of the Directorate of Industrial Operations (DIO).

"Our plan at the present time is to sell these uniforms on a priority basis," says W. H. Prugh,

deputy director, DIO. "There will be a by-name roster at the Clothing Sales Store and we will be contacting each unit and activity involved to set up a sale date."

The plan, according to Prugh, has these basic points:

- Sale by unit groupings with the order of sale beginning with all personnel assigned to the 504th Military Police Battalion (including the attached engineer and postal units), Army Readiness Region IX, Headquarters, Sixth US Army (including the Sixth US Army Band), US Army Garrison and, then, personnel assigned to the Letterman Army Medical Center.
- Individual sales will be limited to two complete uniforms per person for this initial priority sales period.
- Anyone not present at the time of the initial group purchase (to include those people who don't

have sufficient funds, are on leave or temporary duty assignment) will be allowed to purchase the purchase the BDU at a later date.

Local policy regarding wear of the BDU by soldiers who acquired the uniform at another post will be published in a future edition of the *Star Presidian*.

"The cost of the BDU, including the cap, coat and trousers, is \$37.75 total," says Kriesler, who just recently became the manager of the store. "We want to emphasize that the cost of the government issue items is set by the Defense Personnel Supply Center (DPSC) and not by us locally."

The store is located in Building 230 and is open from 11:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday-Friday and 11:00 to 3:00 on Saturday. The store is closed Sundays and holidays.

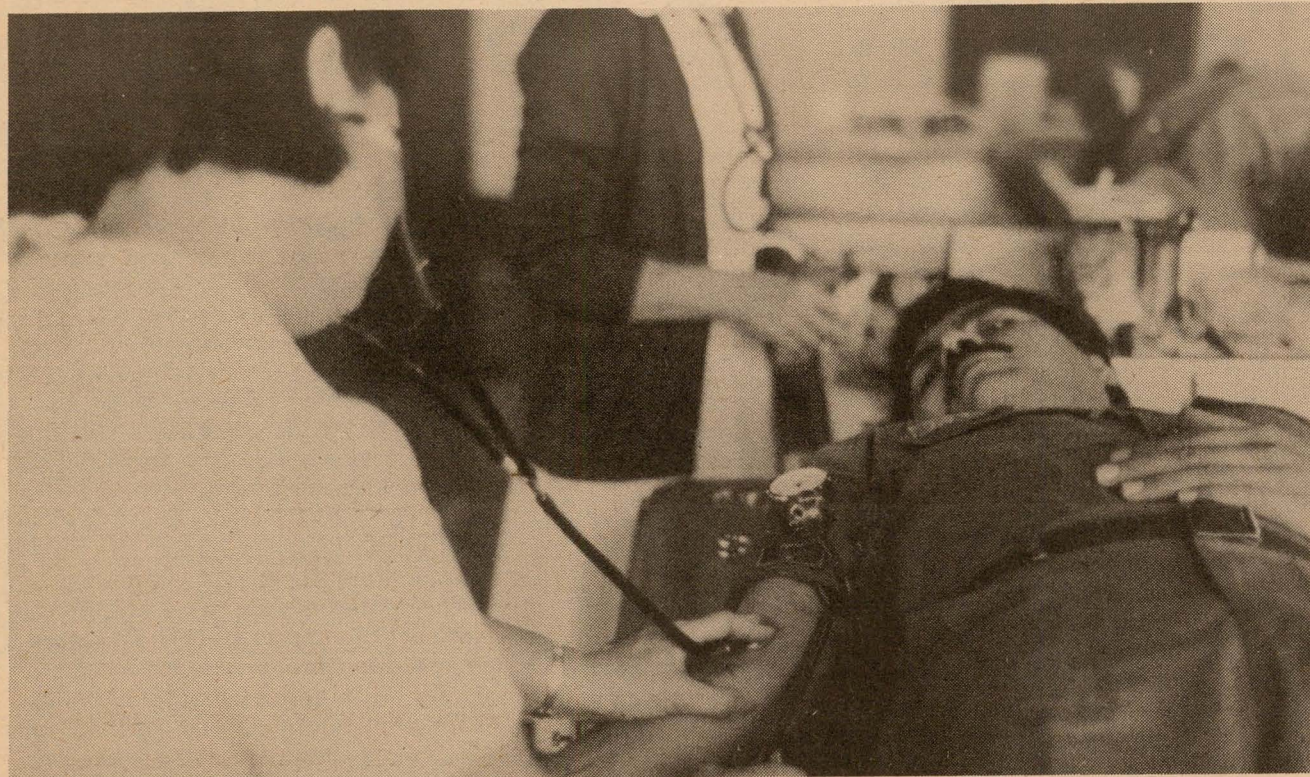


photo by Tim Dewar

Blood donated

Sp5 Confesor Melendez of the Transportation Motor Pool donates one of the 258 units of blood collected Tuesday in the Presidio's fourth quarter Blood Drive. Thus far, about 1,300 units of blood

have been donated by Presidians this year. Additional donations will be taken Nov. 19 from the 504th MPs and 864th Engineers who were cleaning up from a field exercise Tuesday.

Unemployment funds denied to military

Soldiers leaving the Army are no longer automatically eligible to receive state unemployment compensation. Army officials say claims for benefits are now based on the reason for separation and the type of discharge a soldier receives.

A law signed by the President in August disqualifies soldiers who resign, voluntarily leave the military after completing the service contract, or are released or discharged "for cause". It is retroactive to include soldiers separating since July 1.

States are now determining a soldier's eligibility for unemployment compensation on a case-by-case basis. If a question about eligibility exists. Some state agencies have been more lenient than others in awarding the benefits to former servicemembers, officials report.

Generally, under the new law, a soldier who is eligible to reenlist, but who leaves the military voluntarily after completing the service contract, no longer may receive unemployment compensation.

Officials suggest soldiers check with their state employment agencies to make sure of their eligibility for the benefits. (ARNEWS)

Posters selected

Judging in the Energy Awareness Week poster contest took place yesterday, with SSgt. Harry D. Belonus, USACC training NCO, taking first and third place.

Belonus won prizes of \$50 and \$25 for his efforts. Eilene Craig, secretary in the supply and service division of the Directorate of Industrial Operations, won second place with her "van pool" poster.

Three entries received Honorable Mentions. They were by Anna Cochran, USACC, Henry Gordon, Sixth Army DCTS and Frederick J. Chiaventone, also of Sixth Army DCTS. The Honorable Mentions received coffee mugs.



Scenes like this at the PX service station can be prevented Monday, if all Presidians participate in the first annual Walk-to-Work Day.

photo by Tim Dewar

Energy saving theme not new

Residents of government quarters might view the use of energy in a far different light if they have to pay for it!

So reflected Col. Constantine Blastos, deputy post commander of the Presidio, as he approached the subject of energy conservation on the Presidio.

"We've been talking about conserving fossil fuels and other allied energy sources for some time now, so the subject's not a new one," says Blastos.

He recalled a time back in the early 1970's when then-President Nixon spoke to the nation on the subject. Blastos felt the subject was

important then and he feels the same now.

To highlight this year's drive to increase awareness of energy conservation, the post will have a mobile display of common electrical appliances. According to the deputy post commander, each item will also have an information poster which tells the relative costs of using each appliance.

"We're also having a 'Walk-To-Work' day next Monday," says Blastos. "The post commander, Col. Hall, and I encourage all post residents and anyone else who's willing to leave the car parked at home to walk to work and save fuel."

Blastos also pointed out that soldiers who live in the post barracks can help save energy by turning off lights when not needed, unplugging or turning off electrical appliances and generally being mindful that wasted energy hurts everyone.

"If families who live in quarters, personnel who live in the barracks and office workers on post all got together and made a real effort to conserve," says Blastos, "we could make a real dent in the energy waste problem!"

Blastos ticked off several other energy conservation items which, in his opinion, would be very helpful:

- In family quarters, be sure to

turn of all unneeded lights.

- Turn of all exterior porch lights when going to bed.

- Use electrical appliances wisely and sparingly.

- In office areas, turn off lights when leaving for more than just a brief time and try to use available day light when at all possible.

- Military drivers shouldn't allow vehicles to stand and idle for extended periods of time.

"Energy conservation is everyone's responsibility," says Blastos, "and, one way or another, we all end up paying for wasting it."

Sergeant major of the week

Soldier welfare aim of E-9 duties

Taking care of soldiers is the main duty of the newly implemented Sergeant Major of the Week program, says the first E-9 to pull the duty.

"The program is to do whatever we can to improve the quality of life to soldiers," says CSM C. A. Faulkner, Letterman Army Medical Center command sergeant major. He is the first of about 30 Presidio E-9s who will rotate as Sergeant Major of the Week (SMW).

Faulkner is enthusiastic about the duty and says his peers feel the same way. "Most E-9s got to be E-9s because they can take care of soldiers," he observes. Like the Field Officer of the Week, Faulkner says the SMW will help identify problems that require the attention of the Presidio's command group.

And how, specifically, will the SMW protect soldiers' welfare?

One way, notes Faulkner, is "By visiting facilities designed to serve

soldiers and making sure they are treated with the dignity and courtesy they deserve. Nothing is more annoying than to see someone who is paid to serve soldiers act inconvenienced rather than helpful."

Included in the facilities the SMW must visit are the post gymnasiums, recreation center, bowling alley, post exchange, dining facilities, service station, commissary, credit union and Letterman.

And while safeguarding the soldier's welfare is the SMW's main duty, there are other responsibilities. In his letter of instruction, Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., Presidio commander, directed the senior enlisted personnel pulling the duty "to take courses of action that will improve combat readiness and enhance the image of the Presidio."

"The professional acumen and expertise of the sergeants major afford an opportunity," Hall continued, "for additional emphasis on such matters as improving soldier

appearance, discipline and law and order. The Sergeant Major of the Week will make on the spot corrections and provide the basis for improvement on recommended changes requiring command action."

Covered under improving combat readiness are such things as visiting CQs to make sure they know their responsibilities, monitoring NCO development classes and training schedules.

As far as soldierly appearance and on-the-spot corrections are concerned, the command sergeant major says he intends to be tactful and won't try to embarrass anyone. "If I see a soldier who needs a haircut, I won't tell him while he's standing in line at the PX. I'll wait until he's in the lobby and remind him in a way that's courteous and respectful. And the soldiers I've had to remind about their appearance have all responded cheerfully and respectfully."

"The responses I've gotten so far," he adds, "makes me feel good about our soldiers."

One thing he isn't so pleased about, however, is the amount of trash and litter that blows about the Presidio. "It's sad to see such a beautiful post used as a dumping ground," Faulkner laments. If nothing else, he says his tour of duty as Sergeant Major of the Week has reinforced his belief that everyone—soldiers, family members, civilian employees—needs to cooperate in keeping the post clean.

"There aren't enough soldiers on the Presidio to police up all the trash that's dumped here," he observes. "The Presidio just has a minimum number of support troops. Therefore, everyone should get involved. If you're walking along and see a piece of paper on the ground, pick it up. We've got to get everybody to do their fair share in keeping the Presidio the beautiful installation it is."

In his end-of-week report to the post commander, Faulkner intends to emphasize the need for everyone to become more conscious of the Presidio's litter problem.



About half of the first class of the military intelligence school return to the Presidio for 40th anniversary reunion Nov. 1.

photo by D. Jackson

Nisei exemplified loyalty, courage

During World War II, they were called "America's superb human secret weapon." "Yankee Samurai" is another nickname they were honored with. Nisei—meaning second generation Japanese Americans—is what they called themselves.

Whatever the name, their story started 40 years ago in a hangar at the Presidio's Crissy Field.

On Nov. 1, 1941, little more than a month before Pearl Harbor, 58 Nisei and two Caucasians settled into a Crissy Field hangar and began intensive training in deciphering Japanese military jargon. The students, who were recruited from various U.S. military units, sat on orange crates and developed their own textbooks. The supply budget for the Crissy Field military intelligence school was a paltry \$2,000.

It was \$2,000 the government never regretted investing. The return resulted in hundreds-of-thousands of American lives saved and an early end to the fighting in the Pacific.

And even though the intelligence school moved to Minnesota in June 1942, the Presidio remembers the contributions of its students. A display honoring the Nisei opened Nov. 1 in the Presidio Military Museum. The same day, more than half of the 60 members of the first class gathered here for a 40th anniversary reunion.

By war's end, about 6,000 soldiers—largely Nisei—were trained by the school which had originated on the Presidio. Its graduates translated captured enemy documents, interrogated prisoners, and persuaded enemy troops to surrender. Among their accomplishments:

- In the Solomon Islands they translated and intercepted an enemy radio message which led to the ambush of the commander-in-chief of Japan's naval forces. Gen. Douglas MacArthur referred to this as one of the most significant actions of the war.

- Thanks to a translation done by "Yankee Samurai," the Japanese Navy's master plan for defending the Philippines was known to Allied Forces. As enemy fleets responded to U.S. landings, the U.S. Navy was able to thwart the counter attacks and annihilate the enemy forces.

- Another major coup was the capture and translation in 1944 of the enemy's Z-Plan, the Imperial Navy's strategy for defending the Marianas Islands against the U.S. Navy's carrier forces. As the U.S. invasion of the Mariana's (Guam, Saipan) unfolded, Admiral Raymond Spruane's carrier fleet and submarines dealt a death-blow to the counter-attacking Japanese carrier forces.

When the war ended in 1945, the Nisei were needed to bridge the language gap in the Allied occupation of Japan. Not all were bilingually expert, for the Japanese language is hard to learn and use. Military Japanese was even more difficult due to its peculiar structure and form.

Eric Saul, Presidio Army Museum curator, says the contributions of the Nisei provided the ultimate proof of their loyalty to America. Their exploits during World War II, he says, embodied "Samurai spirit, American ingenuity and determination."



US Army photo

General "Vinegar Joe" Stillwell is flanked by two Nisei. Stillwell paid tribute to the Nisei by saying "They bought an awfully big hunk of America with their blood."



Nisei interrogate captured Japanese soldier.

US Army photo

Time to spare

Ski safety classes to be given here

The first Package Ski Trip of the season, at North Lake Tahoe, is Dec. 4, 5, and 6. Transportation, skis, boots and poles, lodging, ski passes and food are furnished. Cost \$50.00 per person, payable upon sign-up, and nonrefundable. Eligibility is limited to PSF active duty military, E-5 or below. Space is limited, so sign-up now. Users of Outdoor Recreation skis must attend one ski orientation class prior to checking out skis."

Orientation classes on ski safety and maintenance will be conducted by Outdoor Recreation for November as follows: Nov. 17 at noon and Nov. 19 and 24 at 5 p.m.

Authorized individuals who anticipate checking out skis from Outdoor Recreation must attend one session prior to checking out skis. Personnel who attend a class last year are not required to attend.

Art and wine, traditional companions through time, are the focus of a unique tour tomorrow, departing the Recreation Center at 8 a.m. for \$20.00. Visits will be made to the following places:

- Sonoma Potters' Guild. Hostess (and potter) is Karen Koslowk.
- Studio/home of George Breck, carpenter, and wife Nan Waters, potter.
- Historical Washoe House
- Studio/home of Roger and Nicki Bell, stained glass artists
- Russian River Vineyards
- Studio/home of Vicki Whitehand, potter, sculptress, and ceramicist.

The tour guide will be Ms. Jan Prince. There are still a few spaces available for this tour, so please contact the Recreation Center at ext. 2000 as soon as possible if interested.

The first Saturday morning of the month will be admission free at The Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco.—the M. H. de Young Memorial Museum in Golden Gate Park and the California Palace of the Legion of

Honor in Lincoln Park—on a three-month trial basis. The free 10 a.m. to 12 noon Saturday hour are in addition to the normal free day on the first Wednesday of each month.

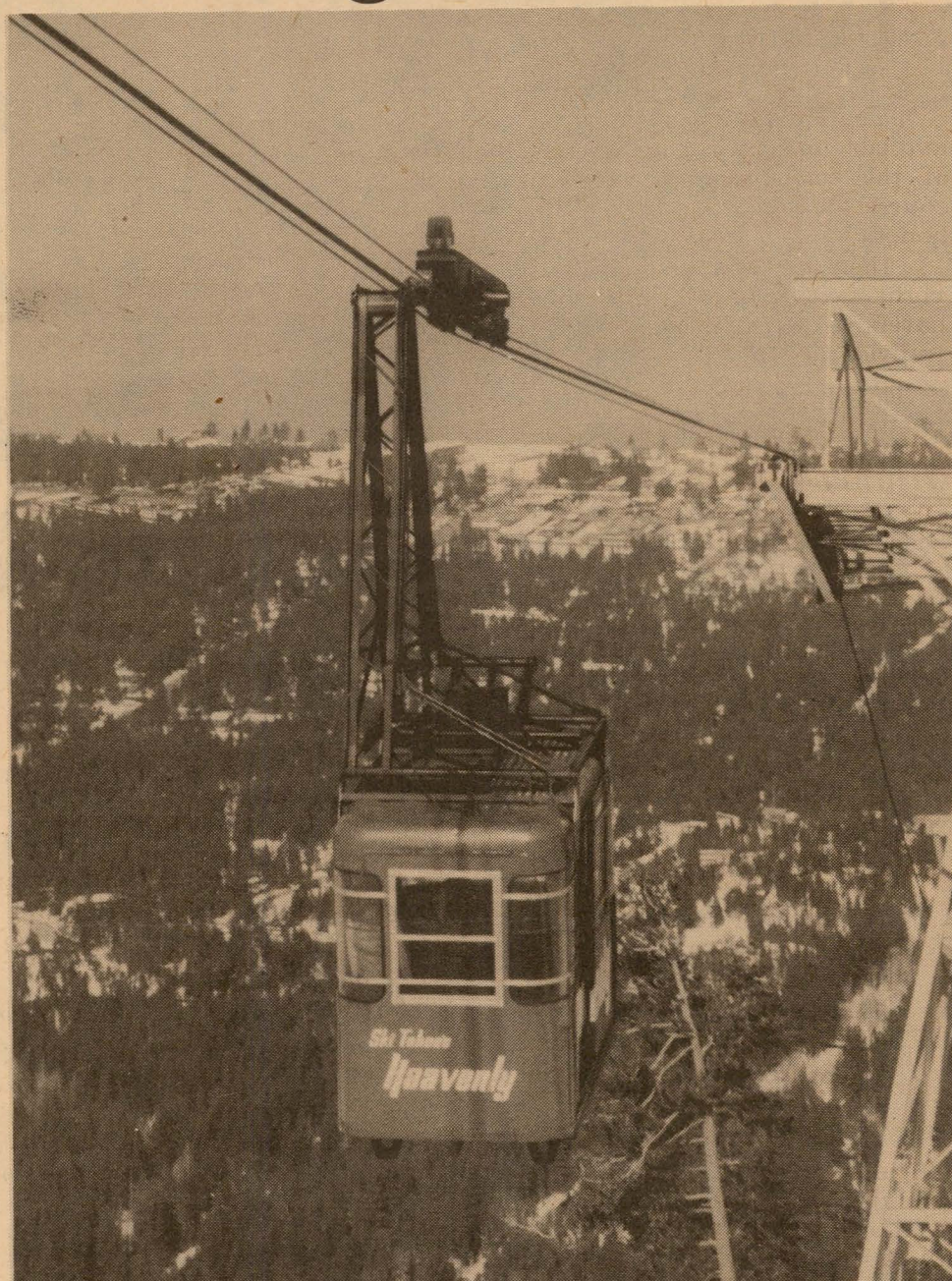
Ian M. White, Director of the Museums, announced the experiment by saying, "We have been aware since the Museums were forced to adopt a general admission fee that many families who can attend only on weekends were discouraged by the charge. We hope that they will take advantage of this opportunity, and prove that the free first Saturday morning should be permanent."

Current admission fees are \$1.50 for adults 18 through 64; 50 cents for young people 5 through 17 and seniors 65 and over; free for children under five and members of The Museum Society.

Tryouts for the second production of the season, "Fallen Angels," will be held on Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 23 and 24, from 7:30-10:30 p.m., at the Playhouse. This frothy Noel Coward comedy needs a cast of 3 men and 3 women. Tryouts are open to anyone interested. After Nov. 15, call the Playhouse from 1-5 p.m. for a specific appointment time on one of the above dates. Backstage production staff members are always needed in set construction and painting, stage lighting, properties, costuming, and the many jobs that are needed done in theatrical production. If you are not interested in becoming a "Star," but would like to get involved, contact the Playhouse and come join in the fun—and hard work! Rehearsals and technical work sessions are held after normal duty hours and on weekends.

A scuba screen test will be conducted at 6:30 p.m. at the Post Swimming Pool on Dec. 1 and 8. Cost is \$75.00 for the ten-week course.

For additional information and/or sign-up call or come by Outdoor Recreation, 561-4324, Building 92, between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday-Friday.



Star Presidian file photo

Getting a lift

A package ski trip exclusively for Presidio active duty military E-5 and below is scheduled for Dec. 4, 5, and 6. See elsewhere on this page for details.

Auditions for the second annual "Auditions Unlimited Showcase" will be held Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 24 and 25, in the Creative Arts Building at San Francisco State University, 1600 Holloway Ave.

Auditions forms may be obtained from the center for Experimental and Interdisciplinary Arts (CEIA) office, located in room 354 of the Creative Arts Building at State, or by calling the office weekdays at 469-1478 or 469-1072.

At the movies

Presidio Theater

Nov. 13	Wolfen	7 p.m.
Nov. 14	Bugsy Malone	2 p.m.
Nov. 14	Smokey Bites the Dust	7 p.m.
Nov. 15	Arthur	7 p.m.
Nov. 16	Arthur	7 p.m.
Nov. 17	Deadly Blessing	7 p.m.
Nov. 18	Thief	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Nov. 13	Nighthawks	7 p.m.
Nov. 14	Nighthawks	7 p.m.
Nov. 16	Wolfen	7 p.m.
Nov. 17	Smokey Bites the Dust	7 p.m.
Nov. 18	Arthur	7 p.m.

Presidio Preview

Alien beings of extraordinary intelligence create chaos and terror as New York City detective Albert Finney struggles to solve his most challenging case in "Wolfen".

Sports

For your health

Two gamefields on post

Game Field, a superb exercise course, is now available to all personnel on post. Recent studies of this combination of stretching and running course show that people of all fitness levels can benefit.

There are two courses available. The first, right next to LAMC, is a modified course that caters to patients, older adults, and sedentary individuals.

The second begins next to the bus stop at the north corner of the parking lot of the main Post

Gym, Building 63. The scenic route, with little traffic or noise, allows you to exercise your body and relax your mind in Presidio's lush surroundings.

Each station helps a different part of your body, and will either increase your body tone, stretch various muscles, or allow for aerobic exercise. The directions are easy to read and understand. Each station has wooden equipment, which blends into the scenery, and direction arrows are posted to guide you along the route. This type of exercising is recommended for all.

Jimmy the Freak

I should've been born rich



Seattle over Pittsburgh??!! Chicago over Kansas City??!! Old Jimmy took his lumps last week, didn't he? Oh, well, . . . I should have been born rich instead of ugly,

n'est pas? I know, I know. If I'm such a smart guy, how come I'm a civil servant, right?

Denver 27, Tampa Bay 13

The Broncos' defense is so solid that it doesn't even have a window of vulnerability. Coach McKay was right about the rigor mortis—it's set in above the shoulders of his quarterback.

Minnesota 30 New Orleans 20

Don't be deceived by the Saints' victory last week over the Rams. This week they have to play against a good team.

Atlanta 28 Pittsburgh 17

The Steelers have played so bad, that their second-string quarterback self-destructed in a bar afterwards. I think he did a wise thing because the coach was thinking of playing him this week and the embarrassment of his team's play could have been more painful.

Kansas City 27 Houston 10

This would have been a good game back in the old A.F.L. days! John Reaves thought that the devil was "coming on to him" before the Raiders game. Guess what, John? The Chiefs'

defense will really be coming on to you. Those little devils! In his case, I guess drugs didn't help.

New York Giants 23 Washington 20

Several weeks ago I said that the Giants were building up their record against lightweight teams. Well, the same holds true for this game. If you've ever been there, you know that nothing ever goes right in New Jersey.

New England 30 New York Jets 17

The Patriots lose the race with Baltimore for the first draft choice next year. Besides, I have no respect for a team that has a quarterback that beats up on media people. Now, if he ever punched out Howard Cosell, my feelings would definitely change.

Los Angeles 110 San Antonio 108

Ooops! Wrong sport! I should have known I wasn't writing about football since I had the team from Lost Angeles winning.

Cincinnati 35 Anaheim 21

The Bengals have surprised everyone with their fine play this year. The Rams will have a hard time winning since the entire team had a major operation performed this week. They all had their egos removed.

Buffalo 31 St. Louis 10

The Cowboys game notwithstanding, the Bills still have enough talent to make the Super Bowl. Last week the Cardinals would have had difficulty

beating Slippery Rock. Their defensive backs are still looking for someone to cover.

Green Bay 28 Chicago 17

The Bears would probably win this game in overtime if they were playing a good team. The Packers would throw this game if they thought that it would rid them of their fading Starr.

Philadelphia 312 Baltimore 7

Quick! Who is the second-string quarterback of the Eagles? If you don't know now, you will next Monday, because the Colts' defense will make him a super star.

Miami 30 Oakland 13

Boy, all of those people who hate Al Davis (everybody east of the Farallons) are really having a great time cheering for the other teams.

San Diego 41 Seattle 20

I've been picking the Chargers every 14°(1&*& week and they've broken my heart. So I'm predicting that they will beat up the Seahawks, even though it is heartless of me.

San Francisco 27 Cleveland 17

As bad as the Browns' defense has been playing, I think that Alzado should have taken the whole unit to the shrink with him.

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Some character in a black suit insisted on me printing this asinine prediction. Anyway, I want to see my LES alive again!

Sports Shorts

Basketball to begin

The 1981-82 Basketball program begins Nov. 23. Units or activities desiring to enter a team are requested to contact Mr. Gascon at exts. 2070/5328. A rules interpretation meeting will be conducted at 1 p.m., Nov. 18 at the Main Post Gym. Teams must have a representative at this meeting.

Fun run race

The Sports Branch will conduct the next "Fun Run Race," over a flat three-mile course, Nov. 18, at noon. Starting point is Gym No. 2, Building 1552. For further information contact Mr. Darling at exts. 4120/5032.

Youth basketball ends

The DYA 1981 Basketball regular season concluded last week with the Lakers, coached by Jackie Melvin, remaining the only undefeated team with a 10-0 record. The Lakers were led by two gifted players, Keith Brazile and Robert Newton, who dominated the league. The rest of the league finished in the following order, the Bullets (8-2), the Fire Eagles (6-4), the Treasure Island Supersonics (5-5), the 76'ers (1-9), and the Oakland Baysiders (1-9). The program concludes its season with a double elimination tournament, starting today at 4 p.m. at Gym No. 2.

Turkey shoot golf

The Sports Branch will conduct an 18 hole, "Turkey Shoot", using the Callaway scoring system, Nov. 19 for military golfers only. For further information contact the Sports Branch, at exts. 4120/5032.

Swim team recruiting

Aquarius Swim Team will hold a recruit swim meet at LAMC's Pool, Nov. 20 from 4 to 6 p.m. For more information call 567-8159.

Post soccer team

Additional players are needed for the Post Soccer team which is preparing for competition at the FORSCOM Championships, Dec. 1-5 at Fort Hood Texas. Contact the Sports Branch office, exts. 4120/5032, for sign-ups or additional information.

Flag football results

Only two games were played last week due to bad weather with the following results: OARB remained undefeated by trouncing LAMC 28-0 and USACC cruised by LAIR 18-0, also remaining undefeated.

Team	Won	Lost
USACC	7	0
OARB	7	0
HQ Sixth Army	3	1
Corp of Engrs.	2	3
16th AG	2	4
170th MP Co.	2	2
864th Engrs.	1	3
Four Seasons	1	3
LAIR	1	4
LAMC	0	5

News Notes

Phone bill error

A clerical error occurred on the October telephone bills. The billing date for Oct. 1981 was erroneously indicated as Oct. 19. It should have been Oct. 28, 1981, the date the telephone bills were actually mailed. Therefore, the cutoff for paying the October bill is 4 p.m., Nov. 13. Payments must be received by the FAO cashier in Building 102 by the cutoff or a late charge of 1.5292 percent of the unpaid balance will be added to the next month's billing. In addition, any disputed calls should be directed to the USACC Rebuttal Clerk, ext. 2248 immediately to ensure proper credit to next month's bill.

Questions about your telephone bill should be directed to the Intra-Government Unit, telephone desk, ext. 3515.

Thanksgiving open house

The Post Chaplain is sponsoring a Thanksgiving Open House and dinner at the Religious Activities Center from 4 to 6 p.m., Nov. 21. Bring only your appetite and Christian goodwill. All are invited. For reservations call exts. 3535 or 4440 as soon as possible. A free will offering will be accepted.

Graduate record exam

The GRE (Graduate Record Examination) will be administered at the Fort Scott Education Center, Building 1216, December 16. The last day to register and pay the \$24.00 fee (certified check or postal money order) is today. Call ext. 3693/4030 or visit the Letterman Education Center, Building 1007, for exact time of exam or for sample study materials.

Dough art class

Workshops on making dough art Christmas tree decorations will be held Nov. 21, 28 and Dec. 5 and 12. Each workshop will meet from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; a \$7 fee per person includes lunch. Since these workshops are very popular, it's urged that those interested register early. Stop by the Post Crafts Shop, Building 122, or call 4497 to register.

Red Cross class

The American Red Cross will conduct a two-session Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) class Nov. 18 and 20 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Please call ext. 2187 to sign-up.

Wives club bazaar

The Presidio Officers Wives Club Fall Bazaar will be held Nov. 18 from 10:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Presidio Officers Club in the main ball room. The club is still reserving tables for vendors, so if you have goods you would like to sell, contact Jan Peate ext. 2574 or Barbara Aiken ext. 2305.

A special childrens' booth is planned from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Bring your children and let them start their Christmas shopping. No parents will be allowed in this special room.

Defense positions

The Defense Investigative Agency is recruiting for secretarial, clerical and investigative positions at locations throughout the Western United States, including the Presidio of San Francisco.

For application procedures or more information contact Mrs. Farr at 561-3205 or 561-3728.



Photo of the Week

This week's Photo of the Week honors go to R. Scott Dewell for his photo of Montgomery Street.

There is still a few weeks left to enter photos before the photo of the year competition.

Thanksgiving dinner

Make your reservations early for Thanksgiving dinner at the Presidio Officer's Club. The club will serve at 2 p.m., 4 p.m., and 6 p.m. Bring your guests to the club for a great dinner.

Late night dinner

Get rid of those late night hungries. The Presidio NCO/Enlisted Club will feature Bar-B-Q Ribs, potato salad, french fries and fried chicken Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 9 p.m. to midnight. Eat there or take out.

Entertainment offerings at the NCO club include Mr. Disco, Doc Webb, Nov. 19 starting at 9:30 p.m.; big band music with Joe Mama Nov. 20 at 9:30 p.m.; Bobby "G" Disco Nov. 21 at 9:30 p.m.

Wives' club bake sale

Enjoy home baked goodies at the Enlisted Men Wives' Club bake sale, Nov. 19, from 7:30 to 11 a.m., at Letterman Army Medical Center.

The goodies will be sold on the first floor at the elevator entrance. For more information call ext. 6234.

Benefit race to be held

A Fun Run to benefit the Combined Federal Campaign will be held Nov. 21 at 10 a.m. Starting point will be the flag pole at Letterman Army Medical Center. Entry fee for the Fun Run, which will feature two-mile and 6.2 mile classes, will be \$3. Call 5079 or 4427 for more information or to sign-up.

Post police's number

Those soldiers who do their best to keep the Presidio clean and litter-free—the post police—have new telephone numbers. They can be contacted by calling exts. 5174 or 5175. Those are also the numbers of the 51st Engineer Detachment.

Soldier of month correction

It was incorrectly reported in the *Star Presidian* last week that Sp5 Neil Alfred was Soldier of the Quarter.

In fact, Alfred was post Soldier of the Month for September, we are sorry for any confusion we may have caused.

Girl scout leaders needed

Men and women who would like to be Girl Scout leaders and helpers are needed. All the material and training you need will be provided. For more information contact Mrs. Farr at 3466 or Mrs. Brown at 3224.

Training sessions planned

Training sessions on the Presidio's revised Merit Promotion Plan are scheduled for Nov. 18 and 19 at the Presidio theater from 9 to 11 a.m., and from 1 to 3 p.m. Within workload requirements, the Civilian Personnel Office asks supervisors to release their civilian employees to attend one of these scheduled sessions. Additional classes have been scheduled for December and will be noted in the *Star Presidian*.

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Phone system debuts Friday

The Presidio's new Least Cost Routing (LCR) telephone system is making its debut tomorrow evening, but chances are Presidians won't get to know it until Monday.

Jim Payton, communications specialist with the Army Communications Command (ACC), says the system should be waiting for those first toll calls late Friday evening.

"We originally intended to have the system ready this past Tuesday, but due to some technical problems, we've made a small adjustment."

According to Payton there will be an interruption in Wide Area Telephone Service (WATS) tomorrow afternoon beginning about 2 p.m.

The new, five-digit orange telephone identification cards should be in the hands of Presidians by Friday at the latest, relates Payton.

"If telephone control officers (TCO's) do not receive these identification cards necessary to use the LCR system by Friday, they should call Jack Newton at extension 2246," Payton says.

According to ACC officials, the LCR system will help cut telephone toll charges significantly and also assist communications and post personnel in managing long distance charges.

Inside herpes

You've read about the incurable herpes simplex virus in Time, Ebony, Newsweek and the daily newspaper. You've heard about the epidemic spread of this so-called venereal disease on 60 Minutes and the 11 o'clock news.

But most of what you've heard about herpes is sensationalized and distorted, according to a dermatologist at Letterman Army Medical Center.

An in-depth look at herpes—its psychological and physical effects—from the standpoint of Dr. Diakon and other authorities appears on page 5 of this week's *Star Presidian*.

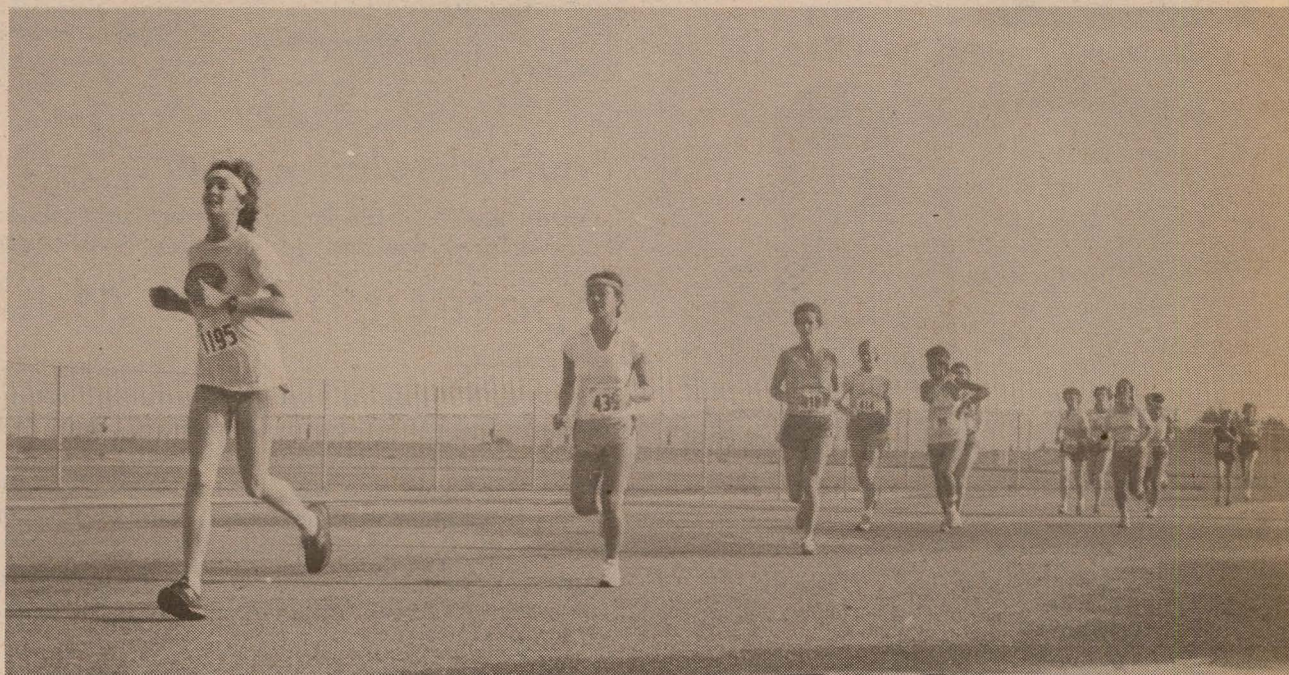


photo by Tim Dewar

Big sisters run

"Big sisters" from throughout the Bay Area spent part of a rain-soaked Saturday on the Presidio as they participated in the 10 kilometer Grodins All-

Women Run sponsored by the San Francisco Big Sisters, Inc.

Worse than ever

Holiday travel congested

The Christmas holiday season always brings a lot of congestion to air, bus and rail terminals. This year it will be worse than ever.

Due to the air controllers' strike, air carriers will, beginning Dec. 1, reduce scheduled service to 77 percent of normal.

This situation, coupled with the expected rise in furlough fare travel, makes it even more urgent that military members carefully plan their trips and make reservations as early as possible for leave travel over the Christmas holiday.

Nineteen airlines excluding Pan American, now offer a 50 percent discount furlough fare, with a reserved seat, to active duty military personnel. In addition, personnel traveling within seven days after date of discharge are eligible.

All personnel must be traveling at their own

expense on authorized furlough, leave, pass, or liberty or be a dischargee. Members are not required to travel in uniform but must be prepared to show an ID card or separation papers to buy tickets.

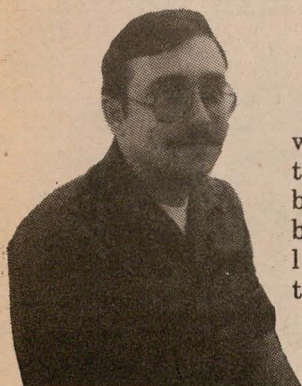
The 19 participating carriers are: American, Air Florida, Braniff, USAir, Empire, Aspen, Piedmont, TWA, Texas International, Air Midwest, Continental, Ozark, Eastern, Republic, United, Altair, Northwest, Western and Delta. All of the airlines above, with the exception of Texas International, offer the special fare over all of their domestic routes. Many of Pan American's new unrestricted fares will be competitive with their previous furlough fares.

Travel and airline ticket information can be obtained at the Presidio Scheduled Airlines Traffic Office (SATO), located in the basement of Building 39.

Opinion

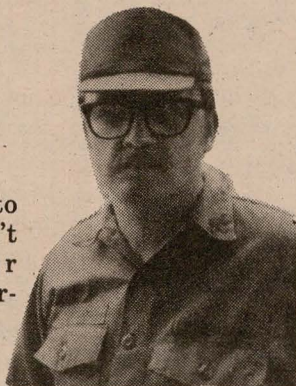
Ramblin' Sam

Did you walk to work Monday
in observance of walk-to-work day?



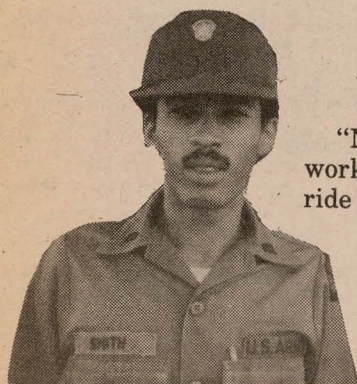
Sgt. Michael Vargo, HQ. Co. USAG

"No I didn't walk to work because I live on the other side of the bridge, so it isn't feasible. I would walk if I lived close enough though."



Sp4 Danny Higginbotham, 228th MI Det.

"Yes I walked to work because I didn't have any other transportation. I normally walk to work."



Sp4 Terry Smith, USACC

"No I didn't walk to work, because I usually ride the bus."

"I walk every morning, it's like a morning exercise. I think everyone should try."



Brenda Troutman, COMPACT



photo by Tim Dewar

Four-wheeled walkers

It could have been the threat of a storm that caused four-wheeled vehicles to dominate two-legged

walkers in the Presidio's first Annual Walk-to-Work Day last Monday... or was it.

Appreciation to Military Police expressed

Dear editor:

This is a letter of appreciation to our young Presidio MPs. Do we really appreciate them? We fear their parking tickets, their whistles when we err on the road, even the sight of their flashing lights, but have you ever needed them in time of trouble? Well, I have, and I bless them. If this incident had occurred in the City I doubt that help would have been so handy or so courteously and graciously given.

Friday night, November 13 (when the rains came down, the winds blew and the tip of our

peninsula was a mass of stalled cars), I cut through the Presidio on my way home. I could barely see the road. Due to a problem on Lincoln, I cut through Fort Scott headed for the 25th Ave. gate, failed to see a low curb and found my car stuck in the soft shoulder. I asked a young man for help and soon found myself and the car surrounded by nearly a dozen MPs. They pushed, pulled, gave instructions and soon had me out and on my way. They were off to handle other problems and there were plenty that night.

Thankful to MPs

Halloween and joggers on Action Line

Hello Action Line:

The letter to the Editor in the Star Presidian dated Nov. 5 expresses our family sentiments on the subject of Halloween being changed from its original date. I wonder who these disrupted families were since, in our family housing area on Pershing, the consensus was whoever made this particular decision had some rather odd ideas about things. Quite frankly, we would rather continue taking our holidays and special occasions as they fall nationally and not when the Presidio bureaucracy feels they would be appropriate. By the way, some of the people off post found out about our special Halloween and brought their children on post for what ended up being a double round of trick or treating.

Chris Parsons

Hello Action Line:

I think there should be something written about the joggers on the Presidio. Either wearing reflective clothing or carrying flashlights in the dusk or in the very early morning when it is so dark. There is bound to be an accident.

JAY BOYD

Dear Jay Boyd:

I agree that articles on jogging safety should be published from time to time. However, Safety Office historical data for the last three years reveal no jogger-involved accidents.

David P. Hart
Presidio Safety Manager

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Band places first

The Sixth United States Army Band marches to distinction at the Hayward Veterans Day Parade Nov. 11. Judges selected the unit as the top military band in the Parade. The Band's drum major, SSgt. Raymond W. Ritch, was selected Best Military Drum Major. The 504th Military Police Battalion's Color Guard participated also, and took second place in competition with color guards from other services.



photo by Edna Moore

Uniform wear regulations revised

Along with the new uniforms coming into the Army's clothing inventory, a number of regulation changes have come about governing the wear of the new items.

The new uniform regulation, AR 670-1 dated November 1, 1981 outlines the proper wear of the new black pull over sweater and the green classic uniform for females.

The black "woolly-pully" sweater may be worn as an outer garment with the Army green trousers/skirt/slacks and green (shade 415) shirts. Either the long or short sleeve green shirt may be worn with the sweater.

The shirt collar will be worn outside the sweater when the short sleeve shirt is worn without the tie, but collar remains inside when the tie is worn.

Also, officers and enlisted, corporal or above, will wear shoulder marks on the sweater epaulets. Other enlisted soldiers, when wearing the sweater, will wear their rank insignia on the shirt collar.

Soldiers will wear their nameplates centered on

the right breast patch. Those soldiers allowed to wear a distinctive unit insignia (crest) may wear it above the nameplate.

When the distinctive unit insignia is worn, the nameplate is to be centered one-fourth inch above the bottom of the patch. The unit crest is then centered one-fourth inch above the nameplate.

"The black sweater may be worn with the green raincoat, windbreaker, black all-weather coat and the black windbreaker," the reg explains.

"In each case, though, it should not be visible, also the sweater is authorized for wear with civilian clothes if the nameplate and any insignia are removed."

The Army green classic female uniform can now be worn in place of the female Army green and pantsuit uniforms.

The U. S. and branch insignia will be worn on the right and left collars, respectively. Each will be centered at an equal distance from each edge of the collar with the center line of the insignia parallel to the inside edge of the collar. Other accoutrements will be positioned in the same manner as on the female Army green uniform.

Officials at the Natick Laboratories have also advised that their Uniform Quality Control Office (UQCO) has not certified any manufacturer for the Battle Dress Uniform (BDU)—cap, coat or trousers.

Accordingly, the BDU currently being commercially advertised have not been certified and do not contain a valid U. S. Army Uniform Control Certificate.

As previously reported in the *Star Presidian*, the BDU will be available later this month with the initial sales being governed on a priority basis by unit.

The order of sale will begin with the 504th Military Police Battalion (including the attached engineer and postal units), Army Readiness Region IX, Headquarters, Sixth US Army (including the Sixth US Army Band), US Army Garrison and the Letterman Army Medical Center.

Cost of the BDU will be \$37.75 for the complete set. All accoutrements presently worn on the OG 507 fatigue uniform are authorized on the BDU, but all insignia and patches must be subdued.



photo by Tim Dewar

Storm damage

Downed three limbs and slow-moving traffic was the end result of last week's storm on the Presidio. Additionally, power failures kept PSF engineers working late Friday to restore power to areas of Fort Scott. Clean-up from the gale-force wind extended into the week involving post engineers and members of Co. D, 864th Engineers.

New agency at Presidio

The Department of the Army announced Friday the relocation of the US Army Audit Agency's Western District from Redwood City to Sacramento, California. Additionally, a subordinate area office will be established at the Presidio of San Francisco.

The relocation will make the best use of the government's resources, monies and workforce by providing an expected annual savings of \$137,700. Reduced operating costs and less travel requirements for

auditors in the Western District were the determining factors in the decision to relocate.

The relocation will result in the transfer of about 39 employees to Sacramento with 11 employees assigned to the Presidio.

The Western District and its four subordinate area offices carry out the US Army Audit Agency's Department of the Army internal audit responsibility in 11 Western States, plus Japan, Okinawa and Korea.

Army civilians have new director

Raymond J. Sumser has been selected as the new director of civilian personnel for the Department of the Army (DA), according to Army personnel officials.

A graduate of the University of Utah, with a B.A. degree in English, Sumser joins the DA staff after serving as principal deputy assistant

secretary of personnel administration, Department of Health and Human Services.

Sumser succeeds the present Army civilian personnel director, Fredric Newman, Jan. 4, 1982.

Sumser has been awarded numerous honors and fellowships, including the meritorious rank award by the president in 1980.

Departing soldiers briefed on 'outside'

You've been in the Army three, maybe four years, and are ready to get out. You've heard life is hard on the Outside and you're not sure what to expect. Could be you're just a little bit scared.

Realizing the transition to civilian life is not easy, two military agencies have joined together to make the soldier's passage into the civilian world easier.

The U. S. Army Military Personnel Center (MILPERCEN) and the Army's Adjutant General's Office (TAGO) have designed a program for pre-separation counseling. The program went into effect Army-wide Nov. 15, but has been available at Presidio and other U. S. Army Forces Command (FORSCOM) installations since June.

The program is designed to insure soldiers and their spouses receive realistic information early enough to ease the transition. Presidio soldiers attend a pre-separation counseling seminar 75 to 90 days before their

ETS date, according to Barbara Hug, Letterman Army Medical Center Education officer, and coordinator for the Presidio's ETS seminars.

Hug says the seminars are conducted once a month at the Fort Scott Education Center. Invited are speakers from the Veterans Administration, Reserve Components, Army Education Center and other agencies who provide information on civilian living expenses, civilian job search activities, educational benefits, documentation of education and training received in the service, veterans benefits and opportunities to join the U. S. Army Reserve and National Guard.

"Spouses are welcome and should come," says Hug, noting that the pre-separation seminars are mandatory for soldiers. A handbook is also distributed at the seminars, she says. The handbook covers such items as filling out job applications and information of apprenticeship programs.



Star Presidian file photo

Still time to contribute

Combined Federal Campaign Donors are helping hands to this joyful youngster at a San Francisco day care center. If you haven't contributed to CFC yet, there is still time. Contact the keyworker in your office or duty section and lend a helping hand.



photo by Tim Dewar

Presidio hosts Boy Scouts

Showing a group of 200 boy scouts how to correctly apply a dressing to a wound is Patty McCleary, a Red Cross volunteer. McCleary, along with her volunteer, Shawn Nilo of troop 14, and other Red Cross volunteers taught the scouts life saving steps in first aid as well as instructions for emergency preparedness and communications. The scouts came from all over the Bay Area to attend the class Saturday at Harmon Hall.

HELP but no cure available

A cure for herpes may not be available, but HELP is. HELP (Hereptics Engaged in Living Productively) is an offshoot of the American Social Health Association, which is based in nearby Palo Alto, Calif.

HELP publishes a quarterly newsletter called the HELPER, containing the latest and most accurate information relating to herpes.

Included in the HELPER are the latest developments in herpes research, how the disease works in the body, the realities and risks of the disease and much more information designed to help herpes victims cope. The HELP newsletter provides a welcome alternate to the distorted and often inaccurate herpes reports which appear in the general news

media.

More information about HELP can be obtained by writing the American Social Health Association, 260 Sheridan Avenue, Suite 307, Palo Alto, CA. 94306.

Another source of information is "The Herpes Book," by Dr. Richard Hamilton, a physician in private practice in San Francisco. The HELPER reviewed Hamilton's book and called it "an intelligent, well-written and easily understood narrative for patients and others who need to know what herpes simplex virus is, what it does in the human body, how natural defenses serve to protect us from great harm."

"The Herpes Book" is available in bookstores or can be ordered by sending \$10 to ASHA at the above address.

Herpes: an overnight sensation

If there was ever an "overnight sensation" in the list of ailments that plague mankind, such would be genital herpes. The disease, which physicians rarely saw 10 years ago, has climbed from obscurity to one of America's most prevalent ailments.

Although accurate figures are difficult to arrive at, the Center for Disease Control in Atlanta estimates that about 30 percent of America's sexually active young adults have genital herpes. Many more suffer with labial herpes—commonly known as cold sores and fever blisters—which affect the lips, face and mouth.

It's further estimated that about 200,000 to 300,000 people are infected with genital herpes each year. Medical experts, moreover, say that up to 50 percent of those afflicted with herpes—whether genital or labial—suffer recurrences.

Because of its epidemic proportions and "incurable" status, herpes has received a great deal of media attention—much of it inaccurate and sensationalized. Consequently, numerous myths surround the disease. Its victims suffer psychologically as well as physically.

Many physicians feel the herpes myths and distortions are more dangerous than the disease itself. Capt. N. Charles Diakon, chief dermatology resident at Letterman Army Medical Center, says "The whole herpes thing has been sensationalized. The press knows it can get people's attention when it talks about their genitals. Calling herpes a venereal disease is part of the sensationalism."

Herpes is mislabeled as venereal disease . . . not a threat to society

Although the disease is transmitted through sexual or intimate contact, Diakon says herpes is mislabeled as a venereal disease. Unlike syphilis and gonorrhea, herpes has no degenerative effects. Except for periodical burning and itching of grouped, fluid filled lesions, a person can go through life with herpes and be none the worse physically, says Diakon.

And also unlike syphilis and gonorrhea, physicians are not required to report cases of herpes to county health officials. Health authorities do not consider herpes to be a threat to the well-being of society.

As might be expected in a city with San Francisco's promiscuous reputation, the dermatologist says he commonly treats patients suffering from herpes. The disease also was common among the military population in Germany, the doctor's previous duty assignment. He notes, however, that the European attitude toward the disease is much more realistic and not tainted with so much dread. One of his patients here was so depressed after being infected with herpes, that psychological counseling seemed necessary.

Like Diakon and other health professionals, the American Social Health Association, based in Palo Alto, is dedicated to presenting the truth about herpes. ASHA acts as a clearing-house for herpes-related research and offers the most accurate and up-to-date information about the disease.

According to ASHA, Herpes is caused by a virus—either the herpes simplex virus type 1 or type 2. The virus enters your body when you come



into direct contact with someone who is infected and shedding it. Once the virus enters your body, an active infection may develop. If it does you may be capable of passing the virus to another person.

Typically, a herpes simplex infection appears two to 20 days after exposure. In the case of labial herpes, it takes the form of sores on or around the lips, face and mouth. And in the genital herpes, sores appear on or around the sex organs. The sores may be accompanied by swollen glands, aches and fever. "The sores last from ten to 14 days and then heal completely, leaving no scars. The healing marks the end of the active herpes phase.

The disease has not disappeared, however. The virus instead hides in the body's nervous system and may recur when triggered by such diverse factors as stress, too much sunlight or a cold or fever (hence cold sores and fever blisters). Recurrences, though, are usually milder than the initial infection.

Medical researchers feel labial and genital herpes can be passed to another only when active sores are present or in the formation stage. That's why ASHA recommends that when any sign of a recurrence is noticed—itching, burning, tingling or sores—direct contact with another be avoided. In the case of labial herpes, that means no kissing or oral/genital contact and no sexual relations in the case of genital herpes.

Herpes is especially dreaded among women because news accounts have focused on the disease's loose association with cervical cancer and because the disease can be passed along to infants during birth.

Scientists report that women with genital herpes are five to eight times more likely to develop cervical cancer than those who are not infected. But if detected in time, cervical cancer is 100 percent curable. That's why women with

herpes are encouraged to have two routine PAP tests yearly.

As for pregnant women who have herpes, Diakon says they can prevent passing the disease on to their babies by Cesarean births and close monitoring by a physician. "With a C-section birth," the doctor observes, "the baby is not exposed."

And while there is no cure for herpes, researchers are continuing to search for one. Diakon observes "that drug companies know it's worth millions if they can come up with a vaccine for herpes."

One drug company, Burroughs-Wellcome, based in North Carolina, has developed a drug called acyclovir which could go a long way in treating if not actually curing the disease. Acyclovir is claimed to have cleared-up herpes lesions overnight and dramatically cut down recurrences.

People have been infected with herpes after just a casual kiss

Although sexual or prolonged intimate contact is the usual way herpes is transmitted, it's not the only one. People have been infected with herpes after just a casual kiss. Under certain conditions, it's possible—although not likely—to catch the disease after eating or drinking after someone who has it.

Dr. Diakon, the LAMC dermatologist, recommends anyone who catches the disease to see a doctor "and get some straight talk from someone who cares."

Until an outright cure is discovered, that piece of advice may be the best treatment available.

Time to spare

Climb out of a rut and into Reno

Everybody gets into a rut now and then, and it takes something really special to break out of it. If you're in a rut or on the verge of falling into one, The Presidio Recreation Center has just the thing to pull you out: a trip to Reno, Nev.

For \$33, you can spend two nights in Reno at the MGM Grand Hotel, see the musical extravaganza "Hello Hollywood, Hello," and be provided with breakfast, cocktails and the opportunity to go bowling at the MGM Lanes. Transportation to and from Reno in a deluxe motor coach is also part of the package.

Reno trips are scheduled for Dec. 4 and 11. Active duty personnel have priority but family members, retirees and DoD civilians may also participate on a space available basis. Space is limited, so sign-up while there is still time.

For departure and return times and further details, call ext. 2000. Don't wait to take advantage of this fabulous deal!

A free seminar on San Francisco Bay's seacoast fortifications will be offered Saturday, Nov. 28, at the Fort Point National Historic Site Administrative Building classroom. Sessions begin at 9:00 a.m. and run through 3:00 p.m.

Entitled, "An Appreciation of Seacoast Defense Sites—Why they were established, What they looked like, How they worked, and What they are today," the seminar is sponsored by the National Park Service and the Council on Abandoned Military Posts.

The seminar examines the historical aspects of U.S. coastal defense from colonial times through World War II. Participants will study briefly the theory of seacoast defense, review the changes in methods of providing protection of major seaports, and view old pictures and slides of seacoast positions.

Participants will visit several of

the old seacoast batteries surrounding San Francisco Bay under the guidance of seminar leader, Colonel Milton B. Halsey, Jr., a highly qualified Army officer who has extensive knowledge of seacoast batteries.

Classes will be limited to 15 people, and participants are encouraged to register no later than Thursday, Nov. 26. Persons not scheduled for the first class due to limited enrollment will be offered a second seminar at a later date.

For additional information, call the Fort Point office at 556-2857.

Starting in early December and running until early April, The Morale Support Activities Division has scheduled seven package ski trips to Lake Tahoe's North Shore.

The first trip, which is open only to Presidio active duty personnel E-5 and below, is set for Dec. 4-6. The cost is \$50, which includes: food, lodging, transportation, ski lift tickets, ski equipment. The \$50 is payable on sign-up and is non-refundable.

The remaining ski trips are scheduled for Jan. 15-17, Feb. 5-7; Feb. 20; March 5-7, March 19-21 and April 2-4.

Those excursions are open to active duty personnel, family members 12 and older, retired, reservists and DoD civilians. The cost is \$65 per person, except for the Feb. 20 trip which lasts only one day and costs \$25 per person. Included in the fee is lodging, transportation, ski lift tickets and equipment.

For additional information and registration deadlines, stop by the Outdoor Recreation Center, Building 92, or call 4324.

Those intending to go on one of the package ski trips will probably have to first attend a class on ski safety and maintenance. The classes are scheduled for Nov. 24 at 5 p.m.; Dec. 1 at 6:30 p.m.; Dec. 3 at noon; Dec. 8 and 15 at 5 p.m.; Dec. 17 at noon and Dec. 22 at 6 p.m.



Coastal defense

Fort Point is one of the many seacoast defense fortifications that dotted the San Francisco coastline. The fortifications will be discussed in the Nov. 28 seminar conducted by Col. Milton B. Halsey, Jr. See elsewhere on this page for details.

Contemporary dance classes are offered on Wednesdays at 8 p.m. free-of-charge. These classes are ongoing and can be joined at any time.

The All-Presidio Chess Tournament will get underway Saturday at 9 a.m. at the Recreation Center. Here's your chance to compete against some truly great chess players. Entrance fee is \$1.

Hank's pool instruction is held on Thursdays at the Recreation Center. Stop by and get a few pointers on improving your game.

The well-known San Francisco comedian, Billy Jaye, will host DJ night Monday at 8 p.m. Refreshments include hot dogs, beer and popcorn.

To raise money for the Special Olympics and to celebrate ten years of Jacki Sorensen's aerobic dancing, Bay Area aerobic dancing instructors and students are sponsoring "Danceathon '81" at the Cow Palace on Sunday from noon to four p.m. Over a thousand aerobic dancing students and instructors will take part in the four hour Cow Palace Danceathon. The public is invited to attend as spectators. Admission is free!

At the movies

Presidio Theater

Nov. 19	The Sea Wolves (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 20	The Sea Wolves (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 21	The Little Prince (G)	2 p.m.
Nov. 21	Chu Chu and the Philly Flash (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 22	Tarzan, the Ape Man (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 23	Tarzan, the Ape Man (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 24	Excalibur (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 25	Friday the 13th-Part 2 (R)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Nov. 19	Deadly Blessing (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 20	Thief (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 23	The Sea Wolves (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 24	Chu Chu and the Philly Flash (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 25	Tarzan, the Ape Man (R)	7 p.m.

Presidio preview

Gregory Peck, Roger Moore and David Niven star in the Sea Wolves, a World War II adventure.

Sports

Jimmy the Freak

Hats off to black suit



Hats off to the guy in the black suit! Even though we misprinted last week's upset pick (it should have read Detroit over Dallas), I know that he was right on the mark. I really believe the guy has a little Freak in his blood!

Philadelphia 30, New York Giants 13

The Giants are up and down more often than a drunken elevator operator. How depressing... going from New Jersey to Philadelphia to spend a weekend!

Pittsburgh 27, Cleveland 20

It's getting closer to playoff time, and the Steelers' defense gets meaner with each passing week.

Kansas City 31, Seattle 23

Monday night's game was a fluke. The Chiefs' defense won't give up the easy scores that the Chargers' did, even though Jim

could be a Zorn in their side.

Miami 20, New York Jets 16

The Jets have really been playing well, but any team that Howard Cosell roots for loses the support of most sane sports fans.

Dallas 31, Washington 20

There is absolutely no way that Tom Landry will let his team play badly two weeks in a row. The D.C. Bureaucrats will get the red tape knocked out of them!

Houston 28, New Orleans 24

Bum Phillips will get an unwelcome reception by his old team. The Saints can't stop Campbell from running all over the field.

Tampa Bay 23, Green Bay 1

Tampa Bay, Green Bay, Hudson Bay, bay at the moon... who cares!

Detroit 30, Chicago 17

The Lions have to win at least one game on the road this year. This is it.

Atlanta 35, Minnesota 31

The two best quarterbacks in the league play in this game. I

predict that Bartkowski will have his best game of the year. He'll need it to beat Kramer and the Vikings.

San Francisco 24, Los Angeles 20

Only if Dean plays! I read that Pastorini was knocked unconscious last week. My question is... how could anyone tell?

Cincinnati 31, Denver 27

Closest game of the week. The Bengals earn their stripes in this very tough match.

Buffalo 27, New England 20

The Bills win the race to see who can finish second behind the Dolphins. The Patriots are the most disappointing team of the year—maybe in the entire history of the NFL.

San Diego 40, Oakland 20

I can't blame this pick on the black-suited guy—I think I got this from his Irish friend, C.P.O. Blarney.

Upset of the Week

Baltimore 27, St. Louis 24

Only because the Cardinals are the only team that the Colts have any chance of beating.

Sports Shorts

Sixth Army wins

Dismal weather conditions made it possible for only one game to be played last week in the Presidio's Intramural Flag Football League. In that lone game, Sixth Army squeaked past the 170th MPs, 6-0.

The lone score of the game came late in the second quarter, when Scott Carr's pass to Kenny Rawlings resulted in a TD.

Presidio 10-miler set

The 2nd Annual Presidio 10, scheduled for Aug. 29, 1982, has been selected by the Road Runners Club of America as the California State and Western U.S. Regional 10 Mile Championship. In addition, all military personnel are invited to compete in the first 10 Mile Military Championship.

The Presidio 10 is a tourist's delight, offering a run around the Presidio, the bay front and a Golden Gate Bridge crossing. In the October issue of City Sports, 1981 women's winner, Joann Dahlkoetter said, "This is one of the nicest courses I could imagine—a runner's dream."

The race is managed by the Guardsmen and proceeds will be used to send underprivileged children of the Bay Area to Summer Camp.

Letterman is tops

Letterman Army Medical Center emerged as champions of the double elimination Indian Summer Softball Tournament by routing Letterman Army Institute of Research and the 864th Engineers.

Presidio vs. McClellan

The Presidio's Men's and Women's basketball teams open their 1981-1982 Northern California League schedule at home, Saturday, at the Main Post Gym. The women's game starts at 1 p.m., with the men to follow at 3 p.m. against McClellan Air Force Base. The Women, who are last year's champions, are led by "All World" Phyllis Singleton. The Men, coached by Robert Mabrey, will have high scoring Antha Braddy (USACC) and James Jacobs (51st Engineers), leading the attack.

The Men will tune-up for league play by playing Edwards Air Force Base Friday at 7 p.m. at the Main Gym.

5 Presidians play

Three men and two women are representing Presidio in the FORSCOM Racquetball Tournament, currently being played at Fort Polk, La. Ronald Vescovi (LAMC) is playing in the senior division, Jimmy O. Jacobs (Sixth Army) and Alfred Viramontes (864th Engineers) are competing in the Open Division. Enilia Lozano and Lydia Mead are playing in the Women's Division.

Elimination basketball

Youth tourney continues

The first round of the 1981 DYA double-elimination basketball tournament ended last week with the following results:

The tournament started out with the Fire Eagles upsetting the league champs, the Lakers, 32-21. The winners controlled the game throughout behind the leadership, ball handling and scoring of Freddie Kaas (12 points). He was strongly assisted by his center, Jeff Johnston, who proved unstoppable. The Lakers made a last ditch attempt late in the game with a tough man-to-man defense, but crucial timeouts by Fire Eagle coach Timothy Crockett, settled his team down and ensured the victory.

If the first game was a surprise, the second followed suit. The 76ers, tied with the Oakland Baysiders for last place in the regular season, came out looking for an upset, but instead lost in overtime to the Bullets, 34-28. The Bullets, perhaps a little overconfident, benched their two stars Joey McGarry (6 points) and Robert Agee (12

points), allowing the 76ers to gain momentum. Finally, realizing they were in a dogfight, the Bullets reinstated their starters and pulled the game out in OT.

In the third game of the tournament, the Baysiders withheld a strong 76er comeback to win 13-11. Both teams played sloppy but exciting basketball, running and gunning throughout the game.

In the week's final game, the Treasure Island Supersonics mixed it up with the Lakers in a thriller, with the latter winning 28-26. The Lakers' Keith Brazile (17 points) dominated the outside and the Supersonics' Elmo Versola (20 points) dominated inside.

The finals for the tournament will be held at 4:30 p.m. Nov. 23 at Gym number 3, Building 1152. In addition, two Presidio All-Star teams will be selected to play each other at San Francisco State University Nov. 21.

News Notes

Volunteers needed

The Red Cross at Letterman Army Medical Center needs volunteers to work in clinics, the library, information desks, as case aides and as office personnel. If interested please call Mrs. Morrow at ext. 2187. The Red Cross also needs yarn to make afghans for LAMC patients.

Flu shots required

Active duty personnel are required to have a flu shot. Soldiers should report with their shot and medical records to the Letterman Army Medical Center Immunization Clinic, Room 103, Building 106 Monday-Friday from 8:45 a.m. to 1 p.m.

PX holiday hours

Christmas shopping hours for the Main Exchange, Toyland and The Four Seasons store go into effect Nov. 27. Starting then, those facilities will be open Monday-Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Sundays from 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Thanksgiving open house

The Post Chaplain is sponsoring a Thanksgiving Open House and dinner at the Religious Activities Center from 4 to 6 p.m., Nov. 21. Bring only your appetite and Christian goodwill. All are invited. For reservations call exts. 3535 or 4440 as soon as possible. A free will offering will be accepted.

Wives hold luncheon

The Presidio Officers' Wives Club December luncheon will be held Dec. 3 at noon, with Cherry Hour beginning at 11:30. The Post Choral Group will provide entertainment. Cost will be \$5.75 per person.

Dough art class

Workshops on making dough art Christmas tree decorations will be held Nov. 21, 28 and Dec. 5 and 12. Each workshop will meet from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; a \$7 fee per person includes lunch. Since these workshops are very popular, it's urged that those interested register early. Stop by the Post Crafts Shop, Building 122, or call 4497 to register.

Retired ceremony change

The retirement ceremony for November will be on Tuesday. This is a change from the previously announced date of today.

Commissary closed Nov. 26

The Presidio Commissary will be closed Nov. 26, in observance of Thanksgiving.

Cancer examinations

The American Cancer Society and other non-profit organizations are offering free classes in breast self-examination Dec. 12, Jan. 16, Feb. 13 and March 13 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Stonestown Family YMCA, 333 Eucalyptus Drive, San Francisco. Both men and women are welcome.

Instructors will demonstrate the American



Photo of the Week

Richard Caldwell receives this week's honor for Photo of the Week with his view of the bay from

Cancer Society's recommended method of BSE for early detection of breast abnormalities. BSE will be taught over clothing.

For more information, call the American Cancer Society, SF unit at 673-7979 or the SF Regional Foundation at 221-2132.

No 'Open Season'

The Presidio Civilian Personnel Office has been advised by the Office of Personnel Management that Open Season for Health Benefits will not be held during the normal period (mid-November to mid-December). This decision stems from many factors already well-publicized. No decision has been reached yet by OPM regarding when and if Open Season will be held. The Civilian Personnel Office, however, will notify employees when it receives any additional information.

Travel agreement saves

Because of an agreement between the Department of Defense and the Air Traffic Association, all travelers on government business must now make initial reservations with the Scheduled Airlines Ticket Office (SATO). Tickets will still be issued by the Transportation Division, however.

The Presidio's SATO is located in the basement of Building 39. Personnel should take along a copy of their orders when making reservations.

Tiburon. Two more weeks remain in this quarter's competition.

A spokesman for the Presidio Transportation Division says the new system will save the government money because SATO has computer access to the latest fares and discounts offered by the airlines.

Benefit race to be held

A Fun Run to benefit the Combined Federal Campaign will be held Nov. 21 at 10 a.m. Starting point will be the flag pole at Letterman Army Medical Center. Entry fee for the Fun Run, which will feature two-mile and 6.2 mile classes, will be \$3. Call 5079 or 4427 for more information or to sign-up.

Defense positions

The Defense Investigative Agency is recruiting for secretarial, clerical and investigative positions at locations throughout the Western United States, including the Presidio of San Francisco.

For application procedures or more information contact Mrs. Farr at 561-3205 or 561-3728.

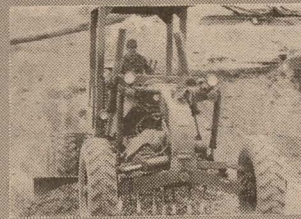
Girl scout leaders needed

Men and women who would like to be Girl Scout leaders and helpers are needed. All the material and training you need will be provided. For more information contact Mrs. Farr at 3466 or Mrs. Brown at 3224.

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Presidio opens line to family members

The days of "If the Army wanted you to have a family, it would have issued you one" are long gone.

The Army continues to introduce programs intended to help soldiers and their family members. Witness the Family Life Communication Line (FLCL) now available at the Presidio.

"The FLCL is a 24-hour communications system that provides military family members with a means of obtaining information on Army family policies and programs," says Robert L. Nightengale, the Presidio's Army Community Services chief.

The FLCL can be used by dialing 561-LIFE. Routine inquiries will be answered immediately, but replies to more involved questions may require lengthy coordination, says Nightengale. Calls in which command policies and directives must be explained, he notes, will be referred to the appropriate agency or activity.

Calls to the FLCL after normal duty hours or on weekends will be recorded and responded to the next day.

"The primary purpose of the Family Life Communications Line,"

Nightengale adds, "is to provide information and referral to military family members. It is not designed to function as a crisis hot line. The system is not intended to infringe on the responsibilities and prerogatives of commanders or other responsible agencies."

Nor, the ACS chief cautions, is the FLCL to be used by soldiers with question on assignments and other personnel matters. Soldiers should continue to direct such questions through their chain of command or COMPACT.

The Presidio's FLCL is the local version of a similar system started by the Department of the Army Sept. 8 in Washington, D.C. The DA system provides information and referral services to Army families throughout the Continental United States, Alaska, Hawaii, and the Virgin Islands. The number for the 24-hour, toll-free FLCL at DA is (800)336-5480. Calls made after duty hours will be answered as soon as possible.

Presidians are urged to use the local FLCL before calling DA because calls requiring local response will be referred to the Presidio's FLCL.

Volunteers needed at hospital

Presidio personnel are needed as volunteers to assist in the movement of patients at Laguna Honda Hospital's annual Christmas variety show, December 11th at 1:30 p.m.

Volunteers will meet at the hospital at 11 a.m. for a brief orientation and will then be provided with lunch and refreshments. The help

needed would entail the movement of patients from their rooms to the hospital's auditorium and return. The activity would be completed by 4:30 p.m. Anyone interested should call exts. 2006 or 3870 for further information. Supervisors are encouraged to release those interested in helping.

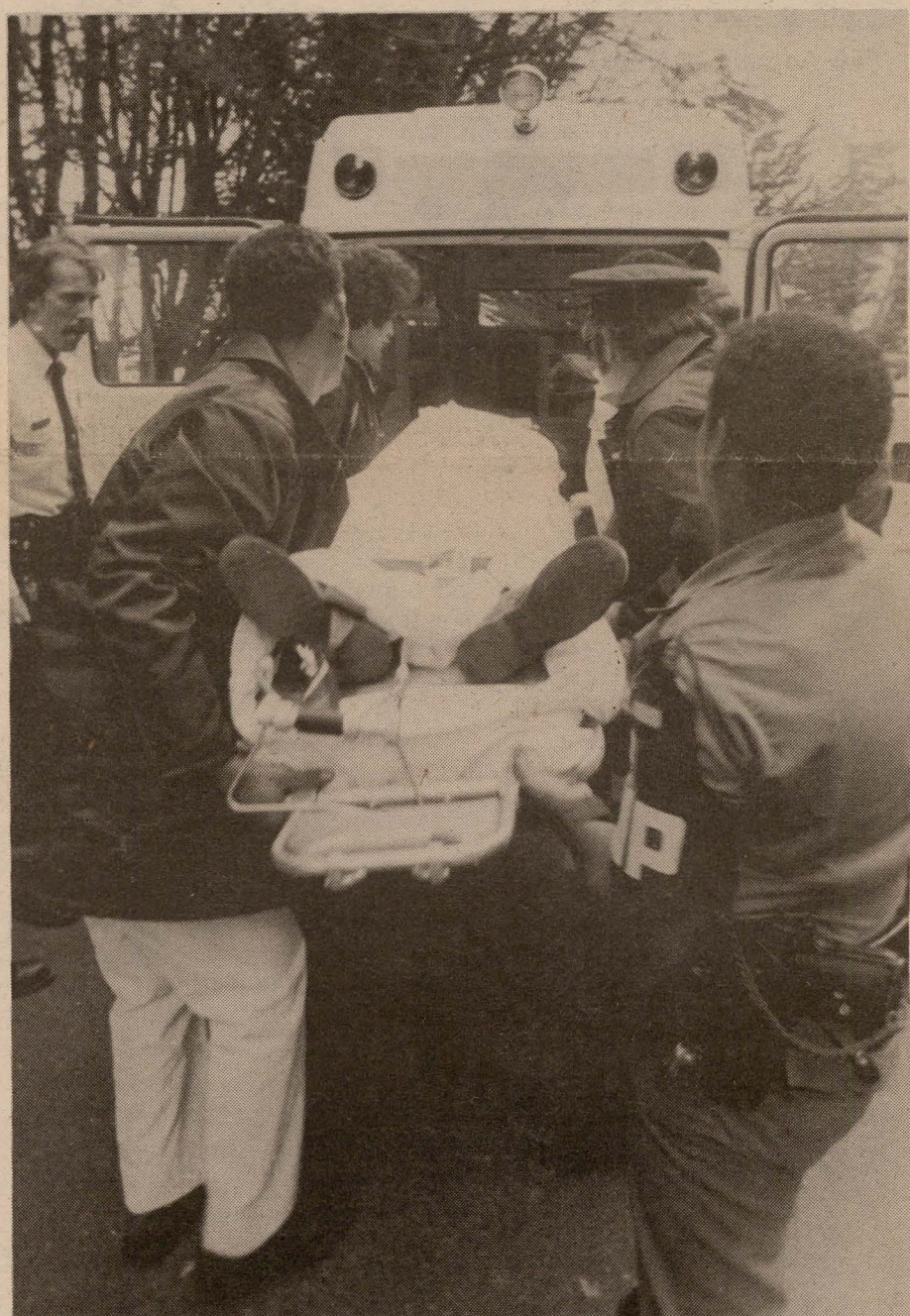


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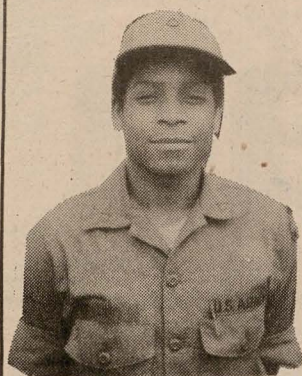
Disaster support or tradition?

What is the Presidio's mission? Some believe it's to aid San Francisco should an earthquake or natural disaster strike, while others think the post's mission is mainly to preserve tradition. Actually, the Presidio has many missions. See pages 4 and 5.

Opinion

Ramblin' Sam

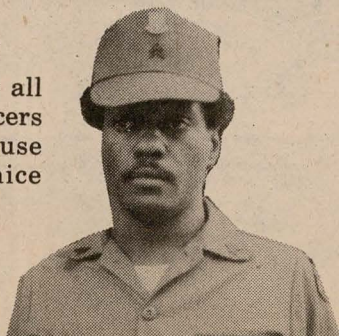
What do you think is the mission of the Presidio?



PFC Antonio Shelton, Jr. USAG

"The Presidio is here to help San Francisco in case of an emergency like an earthquake. We also help the retirees."

"It's a resort for all of the retired officers in the area because California is a nice spot."



Sgt. Greg Howell, 163rd MP Co.



Jean Bradix, family member

"There is a lot of tradition on the Presidio. It's one of the oldest posts in America. We also have Sixth Army and the 504th Military Police Battalion here. Mostly though to carry on the tradition."



1st Sgt. John Jones, 504th MP Bn.

Commentary

Turkey Day exposed

by K. Douglas Cook



Okay, time to stick some large pins in all those little dream bubbles you've been allowing to float around in your head!

Tomorrow's Thanksgiving Day (if you got this paper on Friday, cross out tomorrow and write in "yesterday," please) and you'll probably think about having a turkey dinner. And you probably think that's traditional

because back in the 1600's some Pilgrims got together and wrung a turkey's neck for dinner.

Wrong! The reason we eat turkey on the last Thursday of November is to commemorate the first football game played between the Plymouth Patriots and the Roanoke Island Raiders in 1621. The game was televised over the Walter Raleigh Network with Miles Standish Cosell and Dandy Don Dare doing the play-by-play.

In the final 10 seconds of the game, the Raiders were ahead 77 to 0, but the Patriots were mounting a scoring drive from their own 3-yard line. The Raiders called time out with the entire team going to the bench. In the process, there occurred an Indian attack (Cleveland, I think). In the confusion, the Roanoke Raiders became lost, failed to reappear on the field and the Plymouth Patriots won by forfeit.

So irate was Cosell that he suggested the game

was a real turkey and should never be forgotten by loyal football fans. Hence, to forever remember the turkeys from the Raider and Patriot ball clubs, a fitting dish is served. Hummm, some things just don't change, do they.

Now, about this matter of Christmas which began on October 31st this year.

You probably are silly enough to believe that Dec. 25 is supposed to honor the birth of perhaps the most significant entity in the Christian faith. Well, go ahead if you want to, but from all appearances in this area, such is really not the case.

Actually, Dec. 25 was the day the new Humbugger-Schlockmore catalog was published in the year 1 AD. It was actually supposed to be out a few weeks earlier, but an odd astronomical event (something about a very bright star in the night sky) delayed production.

Well, not wanting to chance another delay, the PR guys in Bethlehem started moving Christmas up a little bit each year so they'd have more time to sell things from the catalog. Oh, they also hired a guy by the name of Sam Nicholas to dress up in a red toga and pass out the books.

Just thought you'd like to know. By the way, there's a rumor going around that next year one of Sam's descendants will be dressing up in his red toga and giving out hybrid pumpkins grown to look like little reindeers with a gift catalog inside on October 31. Well, take heart, we still have the turkeys... ah, I mean the Raiders and Patriots!

Action Line

Few PCB containers on Presidio

I would prefer to remain unrecognized as an individual making a suggestion or a question of the Presidio. Specifically I would like to know as an editor's comment, as to specific locations of any PCB locations located on this post. As a concerned parent, I have children in government quarters area and I know in the civilian community in San Francisco there is a high concern of PCB locations and the concern of possible spills and contamination.

Thank you for your concern. Polychlorinated

Biphenyls (PCB's) are a general category of compounds that are very stable and not subject to biodegradation. At PSF, PCB's are contained within a few of our electrical transformers. These few transformers are labelled with the appropriate EPA warning sign and are located in restricted areas.

My engineers execute a strict inspection and maintenance program insuring that the transformers are used safely and do not contaminate the environment.

LARRY L. EARHART
LTC, EN
Facilities Engineer

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Motor section moves seniors

The Presidio's Transportation Motor Pool will help the San Francisco Police Department put some holiday cheer into the lives of 1,000 San Francisco senior citizens.

The TMP will provide five, 45-passenger school buses to transport the seniors to and from a dinner at St. Mary's Cathedral on Geary Street, Dec. 4.

The dinner will be sponsored by the SFPD's Senior Escort/Outreach Program, a civilian component of the department.

Transporting the seniors will not interfere with the military mission of the buses, said Bruce Terpstra, TMP chief. The buses, which are used to take Presidio children to school and back, will transport the seniors between 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., hours when the buses are idle.

Terpstra also emphasized that the SFPD is reimbursing the Army for fuel used during the project and that San Francisco Mayor Diane Feinstein signed an agreement removing any liability against the Army should an accident or mishap occur.

"We can only support a project such as this when it doesn't interfere with our mission, when it doesn't cost the government any money and when we receive a waiver of liability," noted the motor pool chief.



photo by John Green

Running for a cause

Nine Presidians begin a 24-hour, 240-mile run Monday to support the Combined Federal Camp. The nine started running around the parade field at noon. They solicited pledges for each mile covered to support CFC. The nine are Maj.

Ralph Cruikshank, MSgt Denis Lambert, SSgt, Donald Thompkins, Sp6 Mary Williams, Sp5 Reginald Humdy, Sp5 Ragnar Thaning, Robert Darling, George Susaki, Linda Wetstein.

Soldiers praised on Thanksgiving

Ronald Reagan, who as the U. S. President also doubles as commander-in-chief of the U. S. Armed Forces, expressed his thanks to the "men and women of our armed forces" in his Thanksgiving Day message.

Reagan, a former Army member, cites Thanksgiving Day as a "uniquely American observance. . . the first national holiday proclaimed by a President of the United States."

"This year," he is quoted as saying, "We mark the holiday on the anniversary of that first national observance on Nov. 26, 1789. As we look back to that day, we are inspired by the achievements of so many Americans who have made our country the great defender of freedom to people everywhere and who have inspired us to pass the torch of liberty forward from one generation to the next.

"It was the fitting that the great general and statesman who led us to victory in the Revolutionary War was chosen to fill that first Presidency of our Nation. It is equally fitting that among those credited with creating and preserving the American spirit that has thrived since the days of General Washington are the men and women of our Armed Forces.

"I look ahead to the decade of the eighties as a period of renewal and reaffirmation of our national spirit.

"To each member of our military forces, I say, thank you—from me and a grateful nation—for the spirit and strength you represent as we face the challenges of the future. It is through a strong, well-equipped, and dedicated military force that America will keep its traditional image and its role of leadership in the world."

Reagan and first lady, Nancy Reagan noted "our personal wishes for a happy and bountiful Thanksgiving Day" for all members of the U. S. Armed Forces.

In his Thanksgiving Message, Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., post commander noted that "on this Thanksgiving Day we celebrate the one hundred and ninety-second anniversary of this the first national holiday proclaimed by a President of the United States."

He also expressed his appreciation "for the dedication and esprit-de-corps exhibited by the soldiers and civilians working throughout the Presidio and its sub-installations."

Col. Hall and his family also sent their "special wishes for a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday of good fellowship and personal fulfillment."

Dining facilities schedule holiday fare

Thanksgiving dinner, traditionally the Army's most lavish meal of the year, will be served at 504th Military Police Battalion, D Co., 864th Eng. Bn. and Letterman dining facilities.

The three facilities will feature such Thanksgiving favorites as ham, dressings, potatoes, pies and, of course, turkey. At the Fort Scott dining facilities, breakfast will be served

from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. They will begin serving Thanksgiving dinner for enlisted personnel without guests or dependents from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Officers and enlisted personnel with guests or dependents will be served from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

The final meal of the day will be served from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

For diners without meal cards, the

cost will be \$3.40 for officers, dependents and guests, \$2.15 for enlisted and \$5.55 for those receiving per diem. Guests and dependents under 12 years of age will be charged \$2.30.

For personnel assigned to Letterman Army Medical Center, the dining facility will serve breakfast from 6 a.m. to 8 a.m., dinner from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and supper from 4:30 to 5:30.

Prices for LAMC are the same as the other dining facilities for the Thanksgiving day meal. Guests at LAMC must be patients or assigned military and their immediate family or one guest. Only civilians on duty will be allowed to eat but they may not bring guests. Letterman food service officials also note that there will be no family night tonight.



Soldiers from D Company, 864th Engineer Battalion constructed the Infantry Remoted Target System (IRETS) at Parks Reserve Forces Training Area, Pleasanton, Calif. The IRETS range provides training for 89

company sized, reserve component units in a 75-mile radius. Supporting and training area reservists is a large part of the Presidio mission.

photo by Tim Dewar



Eric Saul, Presidio museum curator, is one of some 3,000 civilians who work on the Presidio. The Presidio museum contains displays tracing

the important role the installation has played in the defense of the West Coast, from the days of the Spanish Conquistadors to the present.

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Disaster support or tradition?

The Presidio's many missions

by K. Douglas Cook

At first glance, the Presidio of San Francisco may be a bit difficult to define, at least in terms of purpose and military mission.

Since 1776, the Presidio has served as an active location for soldiers. First the Spanish established it as their northern-most outpost. Then the newly-founded Mexican republic used it to anchor their interests in California. Finally, in the mid-1840's, the United States came into possession of the Presidio.

Evolving from a colonial outpost, to a defensive position overlooking the entrance to the San Francisco Bay, to a major coastal artillery defense work and finally, to the multi-faceted post it is today, is what makes the Presidio unique.

1981 finds the Presidio playing host to a variety of units, agencies and major commands, all living side

by side. Headquarters, Sixth U.S. Army, Letterman Army Medical Center, Readiness Region IX, Western Region Recruiting Command, 548th Ordnance Detachment and the Logistics Control Activity are just some of the activities located on the post's territory.

One must also remember that also located on the post are units actually assigned to the Presidio such as the 504th Military Police Battalion and the United States Army Garrison.

The 504th is, in itself, as unique as the Presidio. It's composed of the 163rd and 170th MP Companies, D Company, 864th Engineers, 51st Engineer Detachment and the 16th Adjutant General Detachment (Postal).

So, if someone asks a Presidian what the mission of the post is, he or she can truly answer, "Which one?"



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The Presidio is headquarters of the Sixth U.S. Army, which covers 1.5 million square miles or 49 percent of the United States. It is responsible for coordinating and supervising the Reserve

Components, and for helping them attain their prescribed readiness position for actual or contingent combat missions.

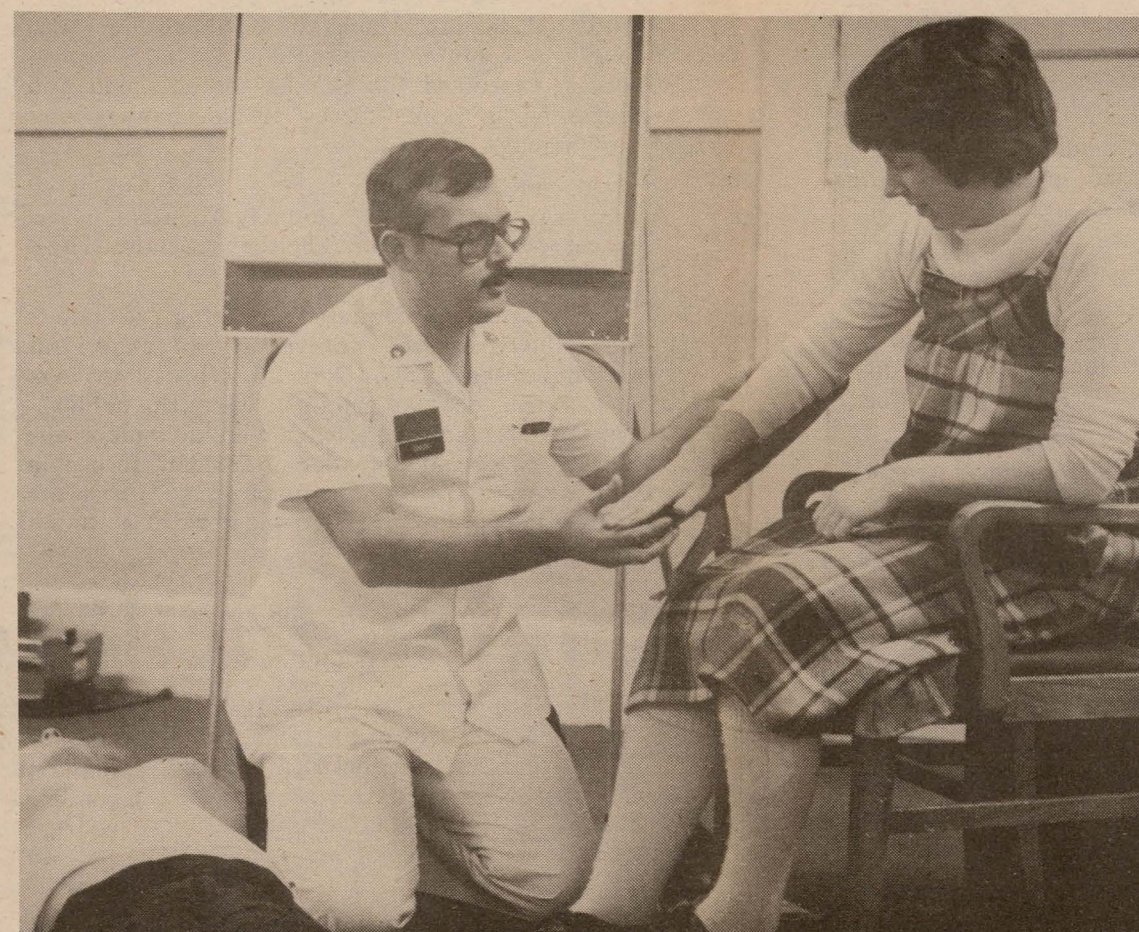


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Roughly half of the 3,000 active duty personnel assigned to the Presidio work at Letterman Army Medical Center. LAMC personnel provide medical training and care to other

Presidio soldiers. The medical center also cares for retirees and other service personnel in the area.



Star Presidian file photo

While the Presidio doesn't boast any elite infantry units, it is the home of the 504th Military Police Battalion, who can get as tactical as anyone. Besides tactical training and safeguarding

the Presidio, elements of the 504th have traveled as far as Arkansas to provide security for Cuban refugees.

Time to spare

Library displays post worker's art

An exhibit of 19 drawings and six letterpress engravings of sailing vessels by Russ Humphrey, a post Finance and Accounting office worker, is on display in the Presidio Library through the end of December.

Humphrey took up painting and drawing after he retired in 1976 from the Southern Pacific Railroad.

"I was looking for something to do for a retirement hobby," he said. And since he had always been interested in drawing and was a long-time sailing devotee, drawing sailing vessels and related subjects seemed like the natural thing to do.

The time between retiring from the Southern Pacific and starting to work at the Presidio three months ago was devoted to attending art classes, letterpress classes, browsing in libraries and putting what he learned on paper.

The 19 drawings on display in the library are done in pencil and pen and ink.

As a former secretary of the Southern Pacific retirement Plan, Humphrey was aware of the void-retirement opens in life. "People are at a loss as to what to do when they retire," he said. "They're too wrapped up in their work. All of us should start developing interests and hobbies because retirement is really a second career, and will be with each of us before we know it."

Humphrey also has exhibited his work at the Navy/Marine Corps Museum on Treasure Island, the San Francisco Public Library and the National Park Service Visitor Center at Fort Mason.

As for others who might be interested in pursuing art as a retirement hobby, Humphrey says, "Anyone living in San Francisco has good opportunity to branch into art."

It's an area he has branched into and obviously flourished.

A free seminar on San Francisco Bay's seacoast fortifications will be offered Saturday, Nov. 28, at the Fort Point National Historic Site Administrative Building classroom. Sessions begin at 9:00 a.m. and run through 3:00 p.m.

Classes will be limited to 15 people, and participants are encouraged to register no later than Thursday, Nov. 26.

For additional information, call the Fort Point office at 556-2857.

The Presidio Recreation Center will begin new operating hours Monday. Starting then the Rec Center and the ITT desk will be open from Mon-Fri from 2:30 to 10 p.m. and Saturday, Sunday and Holidays from 2 to 10 p.m. For more information, call ext. 2000 after 2 p.m.

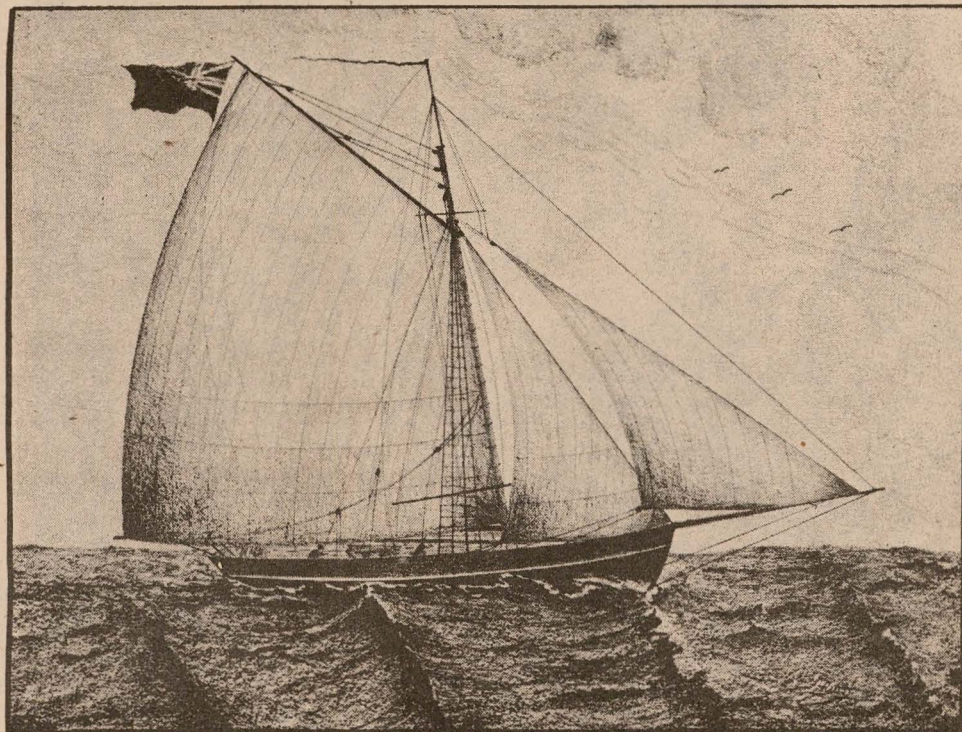
Hank's pool instruction is held on Thursdays at the Recreation Center.

Friday will be a free day at the San Francisco Zoo. Zoo Director Saul Kitchner said that new animal attractions visitors will not want to miss include a rare baby black rhino, a baby hippo, a baby water buffalo, an Asiatic waterbuffalo and axis deer.

Visitors on that day may wish to see a Birds of Prey flying demonstration that includes eagles, hawks and owls at 11 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. in the meadow across from the monkey habitat. Also worth viewing is the feeding of the big cats at the newly renovated Lions House at 2 p.m.

The regular admission fee to the Zoo is \$2.00 for adults.

Ample free parking can be found along Sloat Boulevard. The Zoo is located at the Great Highway at the Beach. It may be reached by the No. 10 Monterey and No. 18 Sloat Muni bus lines.



Artist Russ Humphrey specialized in drawing vitnage sailing vessels, such as the British Revenue Cutter Vigilant, circa 1824. Drawings like the one above will be displayed at the Presidio library until the end of December.

"Death of a Salesman" continues at the Presidio Playhouse, Dec. 4, 5, 11 and 12 at 8 p.m. Tickets for the famous Pulitzer Prize-winning play are available at the Playhouse Box Office from 1 to 5 p.m., and 30 minutes before performances. For further information call the box office at ext. 3992.

Starting in early December and running until early April, The Morale Support Activities Division has scheduled seven package ski trips to Lake Tahoe's North Shore.

The first trip, which is open only to Presidio active duty personnel E-5 and below, is set for Dec. 4-6. The cost is \$50, which includes: food, lodging, transportation, ski lift tickets, ski equipment. The \$50 is payable on sign-up and is non-refundable.

The remaining ski trips are scheduled for Jan. 15-17, Feb. 5-7;

Feb. 20; March 5-7, March 19-21 and April 2-4.

Those excursions are open to active duty personnel, family members 12 and older, retired, reservists and DoD civilians. The cost is \$65 per person, except for the Feb. 20 trip which lasts only one day and costs \$25 per person. Included in the fee is lodging, transportation, ski lift tickets and equipment.

For additional information and registration deadlines, stop by the Outdoor Recreation Center, Building 92, or call 4324.

Those intending to go on one of the package ski trips will probably have to first attend a class on ski safety and maintenance. The classes are scheduled for Nov. 24 at 5 p.m.; Dec. 1 at 6:30 p.m.; Dec. 3 at noon; Dec. 8 and 15 at 5 p.m.; Dec. 17 at noon and Dec. 22 at 6 p.m.

At the movies

Presidio Theater

Nov. 25	Friday the 13th—Part II (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 26	Under The Rainbow (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 27	Under The Rainbow (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 28	Where Time Began (G)	2 p.m.
Nov. 28	Hardly Working (PG)	7 p.m.
Nov. 29	Eye Of The Needle (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 30	Eye Of The Needle (R)	7 p.m.
Dec. 1	The Incredible Shrinking Woman (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 2	The Howling (R)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Nov. 25	Tarzan, The Ape Man (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 26	Excalibur (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 27	Friday the 13th—Part II (R)	7 p.m.
Nov. 30	Under The Rainbow (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 1	Hardly Working (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 2	Eye Of The Needle (R)	7 p.m.

Presidio Preview

Special Agent Chevy Chase is pitted against German and Japanese high commands, 1,000 midgets and much more in Under The Rainbow.

Sports

Jimmy the Freak

Apologies to black suit...



willing to share the limelight (and ridicule).

Kansas City 27, Detroit 17

The Chiefs are really rolling now! I think there is a very good possibility that they could be the AFC's representative in the Super Bowl. The odds are that anything made in Detroit will be a lemon if put together on a holiday.

Dallas 35, Chicago 10

MARCHibroda is a good name for a Drill Sergeant, not an offensive coordinator. His team makes so many mistakes that they should be called the Chicago Errors.

Seattle 27, Oakland 20

As the Raiders' cheerleaders yelled: "give me a D, give me an A, give me a V, give me an I, give me an S. What's that spell?" Not much, sweethearts! But it gives me a headache.

New York Jets 31, Baltimore 21

Things are going so bad for the Colts, that their owner tried to get Charles Manson out on parole to be their quarterback, since he heard that he was a "colt" leader.

Pittsburgh 28, Los Angeles 16

The more that the Rams lose, the more that Malavasi eats. If they keep playing as badly as they have been, he may become the first coach with a waist size in triple figures. Poor Ray can call for a huddle even when he's standing by himself!

Denver 27, San Diego 24

This will be the closest game of the week. If Fouts passes against the Broncos as well as Anderson of Cincinnati did, look for the score to be reversed. Can the Chargers' offense outscore its defense?

Tampa Bay 27, New Orleans 13

These are two teams going nowhere—and the Saints get there first!

Buffalo 30, Washington 17

The 'Skins are a little too skinny in the talent department to beat the Bills. Playing in Buffalo this time of the year is like playing at the North Pole—look for Washington to get a real icy reception.

Cincinnati 31, Cleveland 24

The Bengals are playing like the Big Striped Machine. Against the Steelers last week, Sipe played like a simp.

Atlanta 34, Houston 20

It's a shame that the Oilers didn't keep John Reaves on their team, because the only way that they can beat the Falcons would be to exorcise them. How devilish!

San Francisco 27, Giants 14

The 49ers may be the best team in the NFL right now. Anyway, the Giants are like Howard Cosell's hairpiece; sometimes they look good, but you just **know** they're not for real.

Minnesota 30, Green Bay 13

As badly as they played against the Bucs last week, if you really think that the Pack have a chance against a classy team like the Vikings, there's some swamp land I'd like to talk to you about.

New England 30, St. Louis 24

The Patriots should win, but only if they recover from their surrealistic loss to Buffalo.

Upset of the Week

Miami 24, Philadelphia 20

The Dolphins will make the Eagles feel like they're at home—and mug 'em. Vermeil gets mooned over Miami.

Sports Shorts

Presidio teams lose

The Presidio's Mens and Womens basketball teams began the 1981 Northern California League (NORCAL) with losing efforts Saturday. The Men lost 95-81 to McClellan AFB and the women lost to a team from the same installation, 56-42.

The Presidio's Phyllis Singleton contributed 26 points in the loss, while USACC's Anthony Braddy scored 33 points to lead the men. Henry Dillard, Stanley Moss and James Jacobs also scored in double figures for the Presidio.

The next game for the Womens team is Saturday at the Main Post Gym at 1 p.m. They'll play the Post Grad School of Monterey. The Men will play Alameda Naval Air Station at the Main Post Gym at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

Presidio 10-miler set

The 2nd Annual Presidio 10, scheduled for Aug. 29, 1982, has been selected by the Road Runners Club of America as the California State and Western U.S. Regional 10 Mile Championship. In addition, all military personnel are invited to compete in the first 10 Mile Military Championship.

The Presidio 10 is a tourist's delight, offering a run around the Presidio, the bay front and a Golden Gate Bridge crossing.

The race is managed by the Guardsmen and proceeds will be used to send underprivileged children of the Bay Area to Summer Camp.

Sixth Army wins again

The return of good weather took the wraps off the Presidio's Flag Football league. Six games were played last week, with the following results: Headquarters, Sixth Army came from behind to shut down the Corps of Engineers, 18-12; the 170th MPs outlasted the 864th Engineers, 13-6, on a pass from quarterback Scott Carr to Anthony Robbins; arch rivals LAMC and LAIR mixed it up, with LAMC coming out on top, 8-3; the Corps of Engineers bounced back to defeat hapless LAIR, 12-0; Oakland Army Base continued its winning ways by nipping USACC 6-0 on a flea-flicker with 18 seconds remaining; Headquarters Sixth Army routed Four Seasons, 40-6, for their second win of the week.

Gymnastics class set

The Morale Support Activities is sponsoring an eight-week gymnastics class for those ages 6-19 beginning Dec. 2. The class, which will be held in the Main Post Gym, costs \$12. Registration is at Morale Support Activities (DYA), Building 122, from 8 a.m. to noon. Checks should be made payable to the Morale Support Fund. Call ext. 5143 for more information.



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Swimmers donate \$600

Seventeen members of the Aquarius Swim Club presented \$600 to Lt. Col. John Burke, CFC Chair-

man, Presidio last Thursday. The monies were raised Nov. 8 during the Club's Swim-a-thon.

News Notes

PX holiday hours

Christmas shopping hours for the Main Exchange, Toyland and the Four Seasons store begin Friday. Starting then, those facilities will be open Monday-Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Sundays from 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Parent-Youth Club

The Presidio Parent-Youth Club is offering arts and Crafts classes. On Saturday, a class in making Christmas Crafts is scheduled. More information can be obtained by calling 583-5819. A De copage class is scheduled for Dec. 5 at 10 a.m. in Building 908. Call Marge Bailey at ext. 2205 to sign up.

The club will also hold a general membership meeting Dec. 3 at 7 p.m. in Building 908. All interested parents and youth are invited to attend. For more information call 386-3087.

Christmas Hawaiian style

The Hawaiian Club of Presidio is sponsoring a Christmas Party Hawaiian style at the Log Cabin, Dec. 12. Activities will begin at 2 p.m. For more information and reservations contact Sue Ignacio, 952-1738; Elaine Katsuyoshi, 561-2774 or Jane Garcia, 278-3241.

Graduate programs plotted

The Army Education Center, Building 1216, Fort Scott, will have a meeting on graduate education programs on Dec. 12 at 10 a.m.

Anyone interested in a graduate program should call the college department, ext 2974/4445, for more information or to reserve a space.

Teenage alcoholism course

San Francisco State University, continuing education is offering "Teenage Alcoholism and Drug Abuse," a course designed for parents, health care professionals and the children of alcoholic parents.

The course meets Friday, Dec. 4 from 7-10 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 5 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at SFSU, Humanities Building, Room 282. The fee is \$55.

For more details call 469-1373.

Top Noncom to speak

Sergeant Major of the Army William A. Connelly will be the featured speaker at the general membership meeting of the San Francisco Chapter of the Association of the U. S. Army.

The meeting is scheduled for Friday, Dec. 4, at the new ballroom of the Presidio Officers Club. A "no-host" reception will begin at 11:30 a.m. with lunch to follow at noon.

With over thirty years of Army service, SMA Connelly became the sixth Sergeant Major of the Army in July of 1979. He began his military career as a National Guardsman

in Georgia and joined the Active Army in 1954.

A graduate of the Sergeants Major Academy, Connelly served as the Command Sergeant Major of the 1st Armored Division in Germany and, most recently, CSM of Forces Command prior to his appointment to the top enlisted post in the Department of the Army.

In addition to duty in Europe, he has served overseas in the Dominican Republic and Vietnam. The SMA has received numerous decorations, including three Bronze Stars.

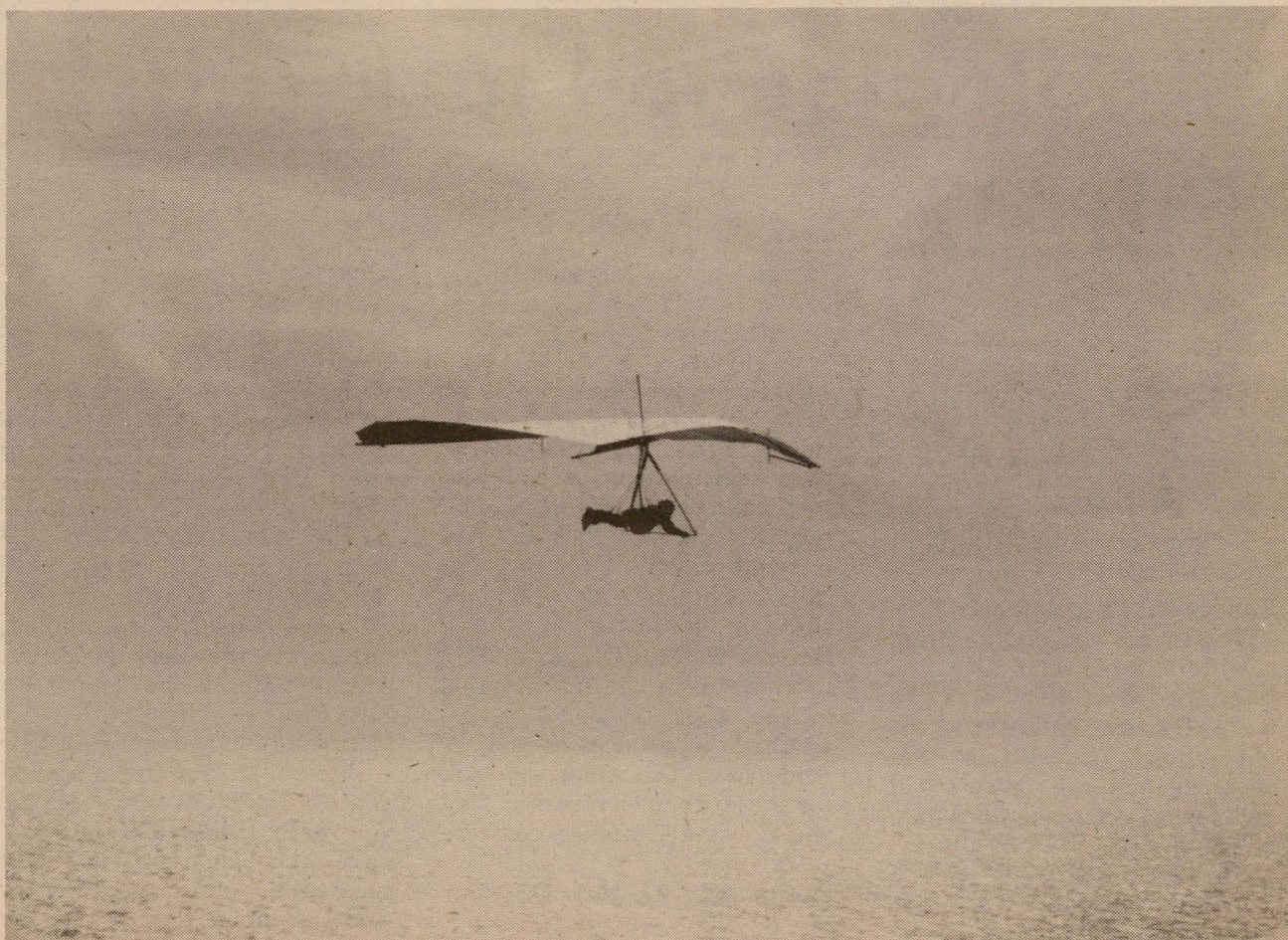
Photo of the Week

This week's Photo of the Week was taken by Sp5 George Alger Jr. There are still two more Photo of

Cancer examinations

The American Cancer Society and other non-profit organizations are offering free classes in breast self-examination Dec. 12, Jan. 16, Feb. 13 and March 13 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Stonestown Family YMCA, 333 Eucalyptus Drive, San Francisco. Both men and women are welcome.

Instructors will demonstrate the American Cancer Society's recommended method of BSE for early detection of breast abnormalities. BSE will be taught over clothing.



the Week competitions before the last Photo of the Quarter winner is announced Dec. 17.

For more information, call the American Cancer Society, SF unit at 673-7979 or the SF Regional Foundation at 221-2132.

Commissary closed

The Presidio Commissary will be closed Nov. 26, in observance of Thanksgiving.

Travel agreement saves

Because of an agreement between the Department of Defense and the Air Traffic Association, all travelers on government business must now make initial reservations with the Scheduled Airlines Ticket Office (SATO). Tickets will still be issued by the Transportation Division, however.

The Presidio's SATO is located in the basement of Building 39. Personnel should take along a copy of their orders when making reservations.

Defense positions

The Defense Investigative Agency is recruiting for secretarial, clerical and investigative positions at locations throughout the Western United States, including the Presidio of San Francisco.

For application procedures or more information contact Mrs. Farr at 561-3205 or 561-3728.

Wives hold luncheon

The Presidio Officers' Wives Club December luncheon will be held Dec. 3 at noon, with Sherry Hour beginning at 11:30. The Post Choral Group will provide entertainment. Cost will be \$5.75 per person.

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Shock awaits E-5/E-6 promotables

Five hundred Presidio soldiers will receive a rude shock this month as they gaze at the January promotion cut-off scores to E-5/E-6.

"For those individuals in overage specialties, which would be about 15 percent of our current standing list, they will be looking at a cut-off score of 999," explained MSG William Parrish, personnel management supervisor, COMPACT.

"These scores will be effective for promotion purposes, January 1, 1982," noted Parrish. "This action

will signal the end of the "automatic promotion" policy that occurred previously when a soldier achieved a score of 801 or 886."

In the past, promotions to E-5/E-6 have been made without regard to overstrengths in an MOS when soldiers attained promotion scores equal to or greater than 801 (E-5) or 886 (E-6).

The policy of these "automatic promotions" for soldiers in an overage MOS will be discontinued by the establishment of a cut-off score of

999 for those MOS in which Army-wide vacancies do not support promotion.

These changes will better align the Army's actual by-grade and MOS operating strength with the authorized strength and will assist the on-going force management effort.

Another change effective at the beginning of the new year will be the automation of the E-5/E-6 standing promotion lists. Using the SIDPERS reporting system, the actual promo-

tion scores will be reported directly to the Enlisted Master File.

The full implementation of this capability will result in the establishment of "floating cut-off scores" in balanced/overage MOS and should begin during the third quarter of fiscal year 1982.

Once the system is online, those MOS with insufficient vacancies to warrant normal promotions may have the monthly cut-off score set so that the top scoring soldiers in an MOS could be promoted.

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Battledress shrinkage unresolved

"Until the problems are resolved, we will use them for ceremonies only," announced Col. F. Whitney Hall, post commander, after hearing of the shrinkage problems with the new battledress uniforms (BDU).

Complaints about the excessive shrinking of the camouflage BDU after washing have surfaced throughout the Army following the introduction of the uniform into the clothing bag this October.

"We have been swamped with warnings about the laundering of the uniform," exclaimed William Beck, manager of the Presidio Laundry Plant. "The most important warning is to those people that launder uniforms outside the gate. Soldiers need to tell them when they turn in the BDU not to use starch, chlorine bleach or temperatures higher than 130 degrees."

These warnings are the latest from the U. S. Army Natick Laboratories, the Army's research and development experts who, after hearing of the problems, visited Forts Jackson and McClellan with experts from TRADOC and the troop support agency, to obtain firsthand knowledge of the problem last month.

Among their conclusions were that the shrinkage was a definite problem, but no consistent pattern could be established.

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photo by Tim Dewar

504th musters

Maj. Gen. David E. Grange, right, faces soldiers of the 504th Military Police Battalion Tuesday during the 504th's monthly muster. Grange, U. S. Sixth Army Commander, was on hand to present awards and pin stripes on

newly promoted soldiers. Standing beside him are Lt. Col. Thomas H. Cornick, CSM Joel Redmon, 504th commander and command sergeant major.

Top enlisted man to address Presidio

Sergeant Major of the Army, William A. Connelly, will address Presidio officers and enlisted personnel in the post theater Friday at 10 a.m.

He will also be the featured speaker at the general membership meeting of the Association of the United States Army at 11:30 a.m. the

same day at the Officers Club.

With more than 30 years of Army service, Connelly became the sixth Sergeant Major of the Army in July 1979. He began his military career as a National Guardsman in Georgia

A graduate of the Sergeants Major Academy, Connelly served as the Command Sergeant Major (CSM) of

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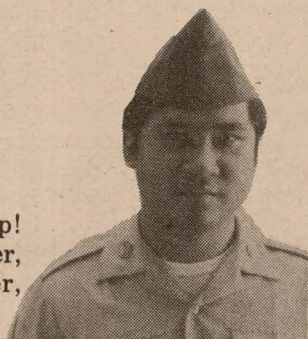
In addition to duty in Europe, he has served overseas tours in the Dominican Republic and Vietnam.

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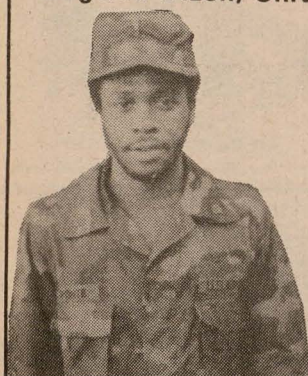
Ramblin' Sam

What do you think of the
new Battledress uniform?

"It's pretty sharp!
They look alot better,
more like a soldier,
more professional."

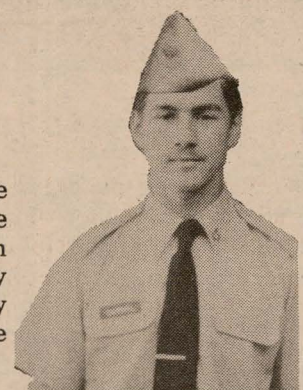


SSgt. Al Dizon, University of S.F.



"I like them a lot,
they feel better. They
are a lot warmer and
more comfortable than
the regular fatigues."

Sp4 Miguel Aponte, Post Locator



"They look a little
more functional. There
is more material in
stress areas so they
should last. They
should be nice in the
field."

PFC Kevin Campbell, Santa Rosa Recruiting



"I don't think it was
totally properly
designed and I was told
they are having some
difficulty with the
quality. As far as being
functional it is and I
think it's about time.
I'm surprised it took
eight years to redesign
it. But it is very com-
fortable."

Maj. James Harbison, Training Management

Officials reply on pay

Dear Editor:

This is in reply to Ms. Joan Collins and the decision of the Director of the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) to not extend the 4.8 percent General Schedule comparability increase to employees receiving special salary rates. I am sorry that Ms. Collins feels she did not receive a prompt, courteous response when she called this office.

Special salary rates are an exception to General Schedule rates and to the statutory principle that Federal professional, administrative, technical and clerical employees nationwide, should be paid equally for substantially equal work. Although they have many advantages, special rates are in many ways unfair to the General Schedule employees who are not receiving special rates but performing work at the same grade levels. For these reasons, special rates are established only after careful and detailed study reveals that non-federal salaries for a given occupation and location are so much higher than Federal salaries that they are causing a significant recruitment or retention problem and handicapping the government in accomplishing its mission. Following initial authorization, special rates must be rejustified annually by a reexamination of the recruitment or retention difficulties and a new measurement of the amount of the difference between Federal and non-federal salaries. This is called the annual review.

It has been OPM practice for many years to automatically extend the October comparability increase to special rate employees, pending com-

pletion of the annual review. It has meant granting an increase in pay without specific justification in a program which ordinarily requires very specific and detailed justification. The practice also resulted in excessive salary expenditures in some cases because completion of the annual review for some authorizations later revealed that the salary increases were not justified by the recruitment or retention problem or by the pay difference.

This year, while the President is working hard to eliminate all unjustified expenditures from the Federal budget, the Director of OPM decided that it was not appropriate to increase special rates until specific justification for the increases is developed in the annual review. The small increases that were granted in special rates in October were simply the result of adjusting the steps in the special rate ranges to correspond in dollar value to steps in the new General Schedule rate ranges. This adjustment was required by regulation and was in no way based on a determination that the small increases were the final appropriate amount.

It is unfortunate that the annual review of special salary rates could not have been completed prior to October 1; however, the volume of work involved rendered that unfeasible. Let me assure you that OPM staff is working very hard to complete the review as quickly as possible and to adjust special rates to their appropriate level.

Francis V. Yanak
Director
Office of Personnel Management

Action Line

I have a suggestion. We recently had our house sprayed for fleas and at the time you have to call the work order section and then they send out a truck with two men to make an appointment for them to come back another day and spray your house. My suggestion is that when you call work order you give them your telephone number and Entomology could call you and set up the appointment. That way save precious fossil fuel plus two men going out and spending all day traveling from house to house. You could also have the person who needs the spray work call directly to Entomology. It would save you man hours and fuel as I said before.

Mrs. W. Sheldon

The practice of calling in person on the customers of the Entomology Section is based on several needs, not just the section but also the customer. The face to face meeting allows the serviceman to make onsite observations

which have a direct bearing on the techniques of control. In addition, it allows the customer time to ask and discuss questions related to their pest problem.

The Entomology Section is scheduled to perform projects up to a month in advance and the direct contact with the customer allows the section to fit an appointment time in with the existing programs. This action, appointment making, is performed while in transit from one job site to the next.

Calling the Work Order desk (2104) is for the convenience of the customer since direct dialing to the Entomology Section would be a futile gesture because of non-staffing of the phone lines during working hours.

Larry L. Earhart
LTC, EN
Facilities Engineer

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Changes improve quality of enlisted

Several policy changes concerning active Army enlisted soldiers are coming about in the near future, according to post personnel management officials.

"A new force alignment plan has been designed to improve skill match, eliminate poor performers, retain good performers and support force modernization," explains W01 Craig Lee, personnel management officer, COMPACT.

"The Army plans to accomplish this force alignment," Lee says, "by making changes in promotion policies, reclassification policy, reenlistment policy, targeted selected reenlistment bonuses and prior service enlistment policy."

"Two years ago, the Army was short 16,000 E-5's through E-9's," he notes. "Today that's been reduced to 2,650 and, in two years, the shortage will be totally eliminated. However, that progress is partially offset by a continuing imbalance in certain skills."

While some skills are overstrength in NCO's, others are short. This is particularly true in the combat arms skills, which were short 7,000 NCO's at the end of Fiscal Year 1981 (September 1981).

The Army is now directing its efforts toward managing reenlistments to meet quantitative needs and improved quality content in several specialty skills. This is now

possible, comment officials, because of increased and sustained retention rates for enlisted soldiers.

Two changes which will influence the reenlistment management of all enlisted soldiers beginning January 1982 involve reclassifications and reenlistments in certain skill areas.

Officials say enlisted soldiers will be permitted to reclassify into shortage skills only. Those soldiers reenlisting will be allowed to reenlist for their present skill or a shortage skill only.

Also, beginning January 1982, all soldiers reenlisting must be in pay grade E-4 or above, except for two-year enlistees. Additionally, E-4's not on an E-5 promotion standing list who are serving on their initial term of service must have at least three area aptitude scores of 95 or greater on the armed services vocational aptitude battery (ASVAB) given before Oct. 1, 1980, or three scores of 85 or greater on the current ASVAB in order to be eligible to reenlist.

One other change which was put into effect this past October involves prior service enlistments. Officials state prior service enlistments are only being allowed in critical skill areas. Prior service personnel seeking to come back in must meet all active Army reenlistment standards. This program is currently being evaluated and the results of that evaluation are expected during December 1981.

Individual efforts important

Post fire officials urge holiday safety, prevention

by Tim Dewar

Residential fires accounted for 83.7 percent of the 6,505 fire related deaths in 1980. Although that's a decline of five percent for the previous year, post fire officials are urging Presidians to be especially safety conscious during the holidays.

"The decline may be because of smoke detectors," explains Presidio Fire Inspector Robert Streeter, "but they are man-made devices and may not always function. That's why it's important to test your smoke detectors at least once a week. Just because you have a smoke detector doesn't mean you're safe if it's not functioning correctly."

"In the Presidio's history, at least 15 people have lost their lives due to fires, including two Presidio firemen," explains Assistant Fire Chief Eugene Day. Also included are the wife and three children of General "Black Jack" Pershing in 1915. The post flag pole now stands where Pershing's house burned while he was involved in the Mexican border skirmishes with Pancho Villa.

Thinking you're safe from fire could be very dangerous, Streeter explains. "People think because they are on a federal installation that they are safe, but we have fires also."

"Budget and personnel cuts in the fire administration are making this attitude even more dangerous," according to Streeter. With layoffs and less new equipment, fire prevention and safety will have to play a very big part in fire fighting efforts.

The post flag pole now stands where 'Black Jack' Pershing's house burned

"Fire loss is going to increase as budget cuts cause layoffs and cutbacks in new equipment, so fire safety and prevention are going to be necessary," Streeter emphasizes. "For example," he continues, "it's not so much the fire as it is the smoke. That will get you first. Carbon monoxide levels can reach lethal amounts about half an hour before the smoke detectors go off. 'This can almost be prevented,' he explains, 'by paying a little more for furniture that is flame resistant.'"

What to do if you realize you are in a fire is another very important part of fire safety he acknowledges. "An escape plan is definitely a step in the right direction, it could mean whether or not your family makes it to safety."

"Just having a plan isn't going to help though unless it's known and practiced frequently by everyone in your home," he remarks. "Get them in the habit of closing doors before they go to bed. The door will separate them from dangerous smoke and flames for a few extra minutes."

"After making an escape route," Streeter adds, "have a prearranged meeting place outside so you can make sure everyone made it to safety."

Avoiding disasters over the holidays will be easier with a little planning and common sense, Streeter says, and, he adds, it will also call for everyone becoming aware of the terrible waste caused by fires.

Editor's note: This is the first of a series on fire safety. Next week's feature will focus on how to treat burns and fires caused by cigarettes. The third part will be tips on holiday safety.



photo by Tim Dewar

Communications lines installed

Reid Huffstutter and Rufino Hernandez install new telephone cables under the main parade field. The installation, scheduled to be completed in January, will result in improved telephone service for several post activities.

Barracks dwellers taught to repair

A program designed to improve the condition of Presidio barracks as well as increase individual knowledge of building repair techniques is underway at Fort Scott.

"We will train people who live in the barracks to repair things like broken windows and holes in the walls so they don't have to wait for the engineers on smaller jobs," says Ross Jackman, program leader and Department of Facilities Engineers (DAFE) employee.

Jackman and two assistants from the 51st Eng. Det. began repair work at the beginning of October on the aging buildings that withstood the 1906 earthquake.

They are offering anyone who would like to learn repair work a chance by helping the team as they go through the barracks. "It's nothing for someone to put holes in the walls unless they have to fix it or pay for it," Jackman explains.

"Because the barracks are old and need constant repair, I have been urging the units to assign one person to do nothing but upkeep of the billets." This way, he adds, "The barracks can be kept in shape by using self-help troop labor."

Since some of the jobs may be too large for residents to fix themselves, Jackman suggests, "If the job is too big or they don't have the right materials, DAFE should be notified."

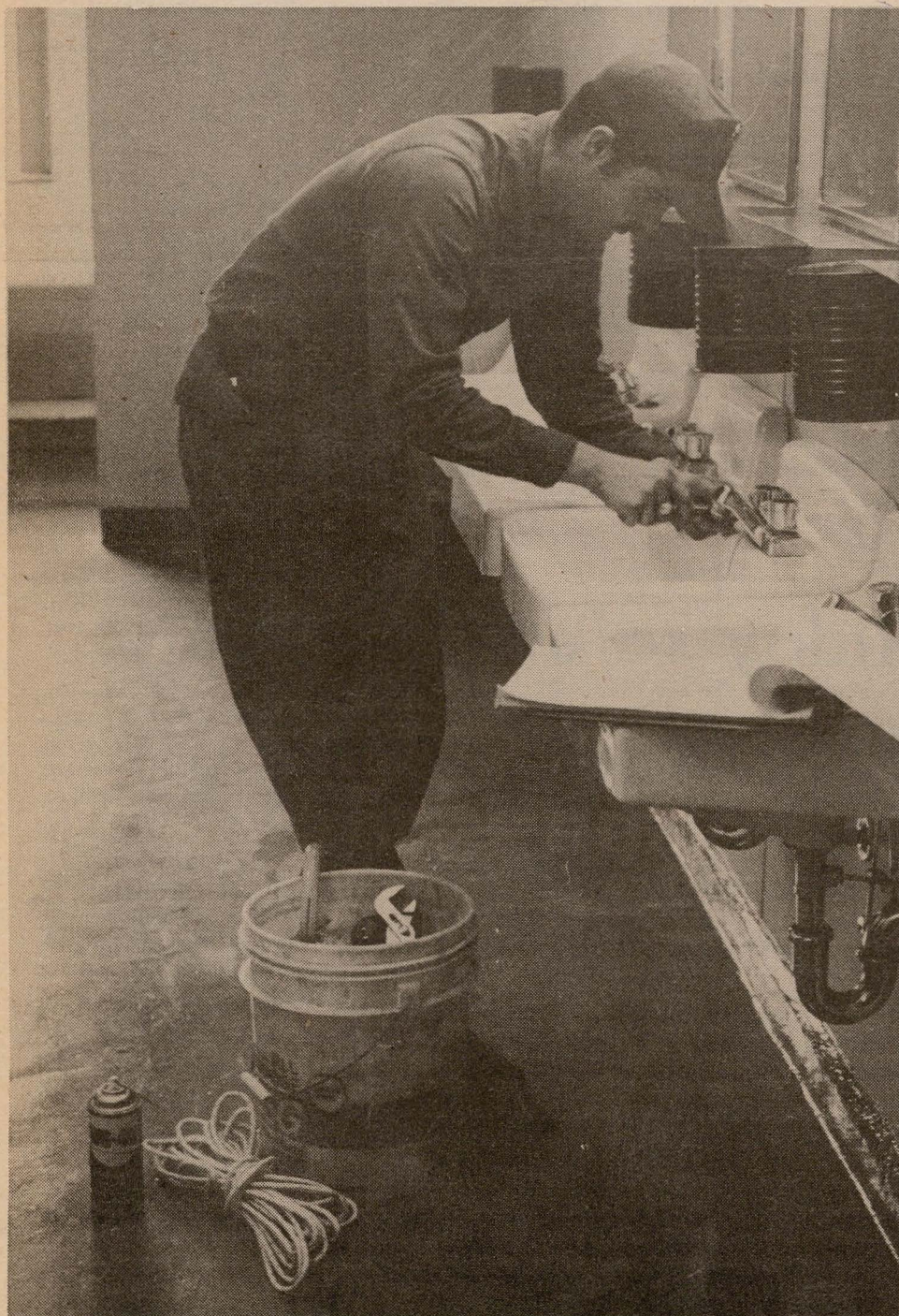


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PFC William Burnside, member of the preventative maintenance team, repairs sink in barracks.



photo by Tim Dewar

Scotto is one of three post engineers who worked 33 hours straight to restore power to the Presidio.

Power outage

Three engineers work non-stop during storm

As strong winds and heavy rains drove many Presidians into cover Nov. 13, three post engineers worked through the night to restore power to the Presidio.

The trio, Eugene Jefcoat, John Lehtio and Gary Scotto, worked for about 33 hours clearing away tree branches and repairing broken electrical lines.

"The trouble started at about noon on the 13th and just kept getting worse," explains Jefcoat. "The wind was so strong it caused some wires to bind together, but fortunately no poles came down."

The winds not only wrapped up electrical lines, but blew over

trees and tree limbs onto the wires knocking out service to most of the post.

"Most of the circuits were out and the trees had to be climbed and the limbs sawed off before we could repair or rerun the lines," says Jefcoat. "That was the worst I've seen it in the eight years I have been here as far as number of circuits out and area effected."

The primary circuits were restored sometime around noon on the 14th, then the trio concentrated on repairing the individual service lines to quarters that had been damaged. Full power was restored to the Presidio around 4 p.m. on Nov. 14.

Korean wives receive help adapting

by Dennis Moreland

The Presidio's Family Life Communication Line (FLCL) is designed to help soldiers and their families solve family-related problems. But if a soldier's wife is Korean and can't speak English, dialing 561-LIFE and relating her problem is a problem in itself. That's where the Presidio's Korean outreach and counseling program comes in.

Sponsored by the Post Chaplain's office, the Rev. Jae Tae Kim, pastor of the Korean Covenant Church in San Francisco, is available to counsel and help Koreans affiliated with the Army. Besides counseling of a religious nature, Rev. Kim can refer Koreans to a lawyer, insurance agent, doctor, grocer and others familiar with Korean language and customs. His church is part of an organization called the Korean Family Life Center, a referral and service group supporting Koreans throughout the Bay Area.

In fact, if a soldier's wife is a Buddhist, Rev. Kim will put her in touch with a Buddhist church in the area. The program emphasizes helping people rather than promoting a particular religious belief.

Rev. Kim knows the culture shock and language problems Korean wives experience in the United States. He and his family moved from Seoul to San Francisco just two years ago. His command of English still is limited.

The program emphasizes helping people

Col. Edward J. Christoph, post chaplain, says the service Rev. Kim provides is needed because it helps Korean wives "connect new roots with their old roots." But, more importantly, he says, "It puts them in contact with people who can help alleviate loneliness, frustration and other difficulties involved in making the transition from Confucian to Western culture."

The chaplain believes the program will be instrumental in keeping problems such as frustration and homesickness from developing into more serious emotional and psychological disorders. He also thinks it will prevent a lot of marital discord.

Although soldiers and their Korean brides-to-be are counseled on the difficulties Korean women face in the United States, Christoph says such counseling is ineffective. "You can't change the minds of people who want to get married," he observes.

And when culture shock sets in, Christoph says most husbands are pleased to find a counseling program like the Presidio's available. "They (husbands) realize they are much better off with a wife who is happy and well-adjusted," the chaplain says.

Language, homesickness are serious problems

Christoph credits Sp5 Jae Park, a Presidio chaplain's assistant, as the one most responsible for getting the program off the ground. Park, who emigrated to this country from Korea and later joined the U. S. Army, says the counseling service attempts to help Korean women maintain aspects of their native culture but also adopt and accept the customs of their American husbands.

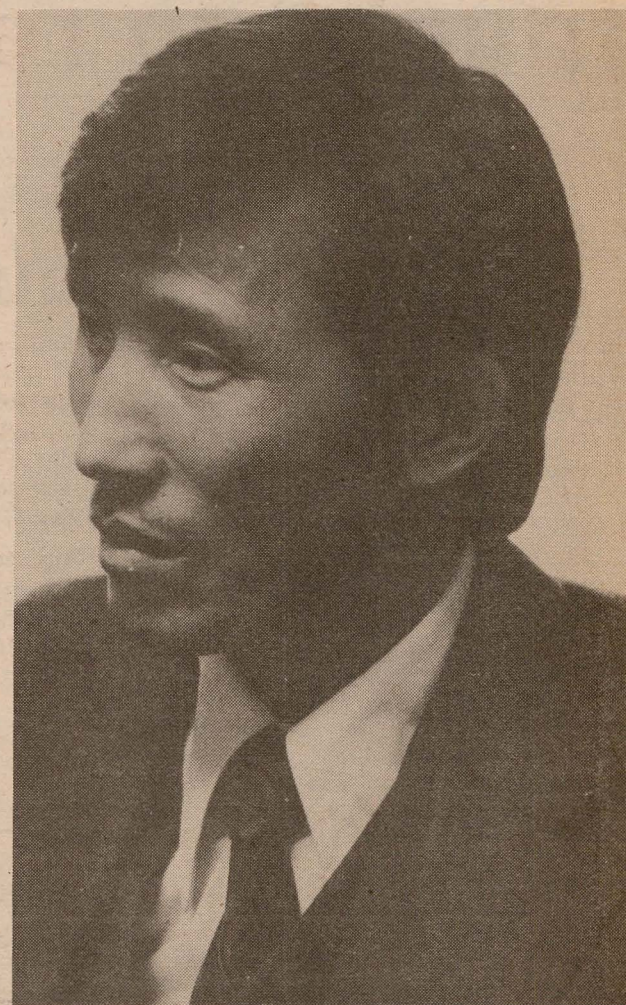
Park acts as a liaison between the Chaplain's office and Rev. Kim, and between Rev. Kim and those wives who need his help. The chaplain's assistant feels not knowing English and homesickness for their families are the two most serious barriers Korean women face.

He cites the example of a Korean wife who was admitted to Letterman Army Medical Center for surgery, but didn't speak English and didn't understand what the doctors intended to do or what was expected of her.

If culture and customs pose a problem, Rev. Kim says he advises Korean wives "to do as Americans do when in America." To which, Park adds, "Good Koreans make good Americans."

Rev. Kim's wife is involved in his work on the Presidio, too. She often visits Korean wives at their homes and tries to help them make adjustments from a domestic standpoint.

Bible study classes for adults and religious education classes for children also are offered by Rev. Kim. He is available for counseling at the



Rev. Kim

photo by Tim Dewar

Religious Activities Center and Letterman Army Medical Center throughout the week. An appointment with him can be obtained by calling 387-8129 (home), 387-9185 (church) or exts. 4719 (post chapel), 3535 (Religious Activities Center).

Like Korean women in America, Park notes American soldiers stationed in Korea often suffer a certain amount of culture shock. He says Rev. Kim, himself and other members of the Korean Family Life Center are available to provide soldiers with some idea of what to expect while serving in the Asian country.

And they'll also know where to go for help should they return with a Korean wife.

Uniform shrinkage a research headache

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Even though specifications allow a shrinkage of two percent (approximately), shrinkage was not even uniform in the same garments, according to Natick's report. For example, one sleeve shrank more than the other.

For those individuals that wash their own uniforms, Beck had this advice: "During the washing, drying and finishing cycles, use the lowest possible temperature settings so that at no time will the garment be exposed to temperatures over 130 degrees fahrenheit."

Natick advises the servicemember that is using a home washer and dryer to use the "Permanent Press" or "Normal" cycle with a mild laundry detergent in the washer and tumble dry using a temperature setting that does not exceed 130 degrees. After drying in the tumbler, turn off the heat and continue to tumble the uniform until it

cools to room temperature and remove them immediately from the dryer.

"The best way to check the temperature in a home dryer," advised Beck, "is to call the local service representative for the machine and check what the various settings call for."

To assist soldiers that do their laundry in the barracks, the Directorate of Industrial Operations (DIO) will be checking government washers and dryers this week.

"We have personnel from the laundry section out checking the temperatures of those machines in the troop billets right now," explained Arthur Wedel, chief, Services Branch, DIO. "They will be calibrating each machine so it will not heat above 130 degrees."

"For those soldiers that have already purchased the BDU, we will be sending a copy of the cor-

rected laundering instructions to them in the near future," concluded Wedel.

"We are aware of the shrinkage problems," notes Chris Kriesler, manager of the clothing sales store at the Presidio, "and we are helping the individual in buying the correct size uniform, based on the initial shrinkage formula allowed. We are also handing out the same notices as the DIO to each soldier at the time of purchase."

"Since we started selling the uniforms through the unit sale program, we have sold some 70 sets," Kriesler continued. "I initially ordered 1440 sets and have received about two-thirds of that order."

Kriesler adds, "We'll exchange items that are factory defects for like items, but we'll not refund purchases at the present time. If a person wants a refund, he'll have to hold on to the item until the policy is clarified."

Time to spare

Dec. 4, 5

Salesman continues post Playhouse run

"Death of a Salesman" continues at the Presidio Playhouse, Dec. 4, 5, 11 and 12 at 8 p.m. Tickets for the famous Pulitzer Prize-winning play are available at the Playhouse Box Office from 1 to 5 p.m., and 30 minutes before performances. For further information call the box office at ext. 3992.

Starting in early December and running until early April, The Morale Support Activities Division has scheduled seven package ski trips to Lake Tahoe's North Shore.

The remaining ski trips are scheduled for Jan. 15-17, Feb. 5-7; Feb. 20; March 5-7, March 19-21 and April 2-4.

Those intending to go on one of the package ski trips will probably have to first attend a class on ski safety and maintenance.

Those excursions are open to active duty personnel, family members 12 and older, retired, reservists and DoD civilians. The cost is \$65 per person, except for the Feb. 20 trip which lasts only one day and costs \$25 per person. Included in the fee is lodging, transportation, ski lift tickets and equipment.

For additional information and registration deadlines, stop by the Outdoor Recreation Center, Building 92, or call 4324.

The Presidio Recreation Center will begin new operating hours Monday. Starting then the Rec Center and the ITT desk will be open from Mon-Fri from 2:30 to 10 p.m. and Saturday, Sunday and Holidays from 2 to 10 p.m. For more information, call ext. 2000 after 2 p.m.

Just off the press is the annual Redwood Empire Wine Country Guide, an 8-page folder listing 95 wineries open to visitors north of the Golden Gate.

Counties of Napa, Sonoma, Mendocino and Lake are represented, and this year's brochure includes 22 new establishments for tours and tasting experiences, many with picnic grounds and seasonal entertainments.

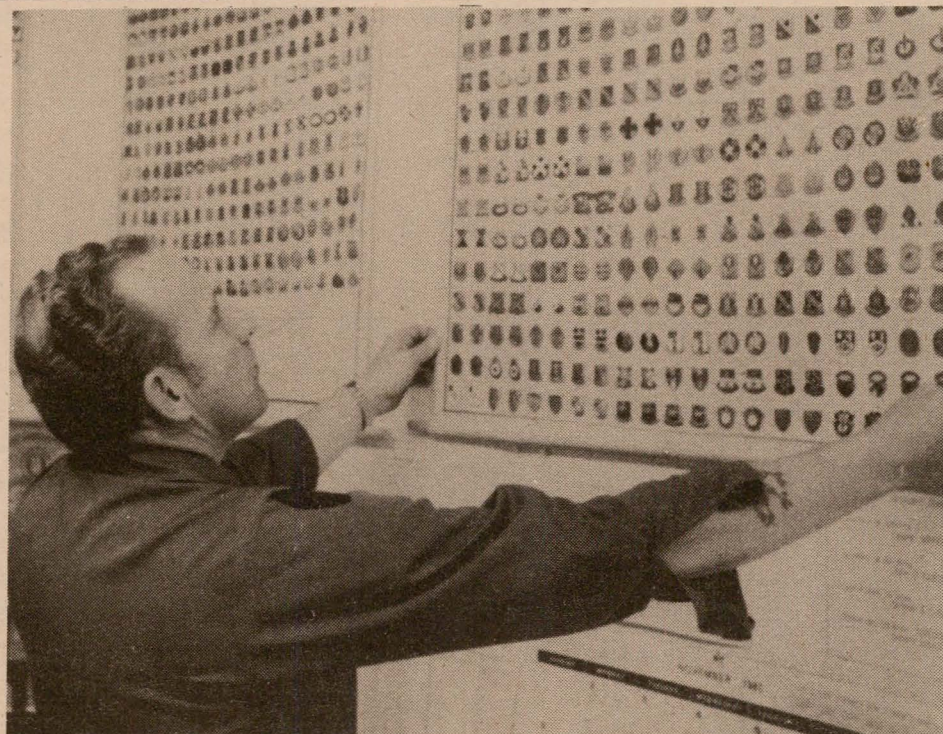
The Guide will be sent upon receipt of a self-addressed, stamped, business-size envelope by: Redwood Empire Association, 360 Post Street, Suite 401, San Francisco, CA 94108.

For all of you wild animal lovers, the Recreation Center is sponsoring a field trip Dec. 19 to Ano Nuevo State Reserve to view elephant seals in their natural habitat.

Each year many elephant seals migrate along the west coast to breed. From October to March, the park is off-limits, except for guided tours.

The guides are University of California students who explain the hierarchy system among the seals, rearing of pups, challenges between dominant seals and other behavioral observations. The male seals can weigh up to 4,000 pounds.

It's an incredible sight to observe these majestic animals in their natural habitat. The guides also explain the surrounding vegetation and geological history of the immediate area. In all, the field trip lasts about 2½ hours and cost \$5 per person. For more information or to sign-up for the excursion, call the recreation center at ext. 2000.



Springer with part of his crest collection.

photo by Charles Taylor

Wanted: 10,000 crests

by Charles Taylor

"Beg, borrow or steal" is the motto of those who collect unit patches, insignia or crests throughout the Army, and there's one sergeant who doesn't take those words lightly.

SFC David C. Springer, training NCO for Headquarters Company, USAG, began collecting crests in late 1977 while stationed at Fort Lewis, Wash. Since then he has acquired close to 1,600 crests.

He says the inspiration to collect came when he noticed the similarities in crests from various units. What impressed him most were the variations in color and design, the inscriptions and the fact that some were very plain while others were very elegant.

Springer is not the only crest collector in the Bay Area. He buys and trades with those who share his interest and their transactions and bargaining are similar to stock brokers on Wall Street.

"I wouldn't sell even 300 of my crests for less than \$1,000" Springer asserts.

Springer, unlike most crest collectors, is trying to obtain, in sets of two, every U.S. Army crest that isn't already a part of his collection. According to Springer, many of the other collectors are in search of crests of one particular category, such as medical engineer or reserve unit crests.

Even though the training NCO has no special goal in the collection of crests, he would like to gather as many as possible of the 10,000 crests in circulation.

Even though it will take a long time for him to get his collection where he feels he has accomplished his goal, he will continue to trade, buy and sell.

Soon every crest in his possession will be pinned on one of his boards—all except for the three for his Class A uniform.

At the movies

Presidio Theater

Dec. 3	Endless Love (R)	7 p.m.
Dec. 4	Endless Love (R)	7 p.m.
Dec. 5	The Billion Dollar Hobo (G)	2 p.m.
Dec. 5	Any Which Way You Can (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 6	An American Werewolf In London (R)	7 p.m.
Dec. 7	An American Werewolf In London (R)	7 p.m.
Dec. 8	Fort Apache, The Bronx (R)	7 p.m.
Dec. 9	Striking Back (PG)	7 p.m.

Letterman Theater

Dec. 3	The Incredible Shrinking Woman (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 4	The Howling (R)	7 p.m.
Dec. 7	Endless Love (R)	7 p.m.
Dec. 8	Any Which Way You Can (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 9	An American Werewolf In London (R)	7 p.m.

Presidio Preview

Paul Newman is a veteran police officer and Ed Asner the newly-assigned commander of Fort Apache, The Bronx.

Sports



photo by Tim Dewar

Soccer sign-ups

The DYA Soccer program is still taking sign-ups for players 7-14 years of age, to play in the 1981-82

San Francisco Viking Soccer program. If interested contact Mr. Gaffney at ext. 5051.

Jimmy the Freak

Distracted by Cowgirls



I really had a problem making this week's predictions as I'm writing this column from a hospital bed. Watching Dallas play last week, I tripped over my tongue observing their cheerleaders

and strained my... uh, credibility. Oh well, onward and upward!

Cleveland 28, Houston 16

The Browns win the "has beens" bowl. If the Oilers' quarterbacks play as erratic as they have been, maybe they could sell their souls and get John Reaves back.

Cincinnati 27, San Francisco 23

I expect a let-down by the 49ers after clinching a playoff spot. The only difference will be the home field advantage for the Bengals.

Detroit 26, Green Bay 20

The Lions' defense will make Green Bay "pack it in."

Minnesota 30, Chicago 17

The Vikings should find a way to win, since the Bears always find a way to lose.

Dallas 31, Baltimore 17

If Snow White wants to find the Seven Dwarfs, she'll find them playing as offensive linemen in Baltimore. Dopey doubles as the Colts' owner.

Miami 24, New England 17

What do you expect from a team with a 70-year old general manager whose name is "Bucko"? Next year they'll probably hire a coach named "Flash" and be bought by a guy named "Lumpy."

Philadelphia 30, Washington 20

The Eagles had better win for their "wild and crazy" coach or he'll explode on the sidelines. He's getting so uptight that he's making John Madden look like a sleepwalker.

San Diego 40, Buffalo 28

During the last few games, some of the Bills have played as if they're counterfeit.

New York Jets 30, Seattle 17

The dictionary describes the word "insipid" by stating "see defense, Seattle Seahawks"—whatever that means.

Atlanta 34, Tampa Bay 24

The Falcons will be in their bright red uniforms against the orange and yellow-clad Bucs. From the air, this game will look like a bowl of Trix cereal.

Kansas City 27, Denver 13

Both teams are on losing streaks. I think that the Chiefs will be the team to "slide" into the playoffs.

Pittsburgh 24, Oakland 14

May as well let Al Davis move to L. A. since the current Raiders play like an expansion team anyway.

New York Giants 20, Los Angeles Rams 10

Kick 'em while they're down! Kick 'em while they're down!

UPSET OF THE WEEK

New Orleans 24, St. Louis 21

Watch out world! One day the Saints will make it all the way to mediocrity!

Sports Shorts

Intramural football

Two games were played in the Presidio's Intramural Flag Football League last week. Letterman edged out the Corps of Engineers 16-12 and the 170th MPs downed Four Seasons 22-6. The league standings are:

Team	Won	Loss
OAB	8	0
HQ Sixth Army	7	1
USACC	7	1
170th MP Co.	5	3
Corp of Engrs	5	4
16th AG	2	7
LAMC	2	7
864th Eng	2	7
Four Seasons	2	6
LAIR	2	6

Teams split

Post level basketball competition last week found the Presidio's Women's team losing a 41-40 heartbreaker to the Post Graduate School of Monterey and the Mens team defeating Alameda Junior College, 71-59.

The Presidio's Womens team led 22-19 at halftime, but the lack of a balanced scoring attack in the second half ruined their chances of winning. Phyllis Singleton and Pam Fusco teamed up to score 36 points for the Presidio.

Both teams played cat and mouse in the Mens competition, but the Presidians played patient, zone defense and clinched the win. The Presidians were led in scoring by Anthony Braddy with 19 points, Curtis Sims with 15 and Larry Tiller with 14.

Racquetball finals

When the Fort Lewis racquetball team walked through the airport security gate on their way home, they probably set off every alarm in sight because they captured a good part of the metal in the 1981 FORSCOM Racquetball Tournament held at Fort Polk, La.

Fort Lewis, walked away with the top awards in the men's single divisions in both the Open and Seniors classes. They also took with them the top trophies in both men's doubles divisions.

Ballet lessons set

Parents interested in registering their children 5 and older for ballet lessons can do so by contacting Mrs. Helen Piernik at 994-0681 between noon and 2 p.m. Classes, scheduled to begin Jan. 4, will be held in Building 1390 near the Fort Scott Chapel.

Tae Kwan Do offered

Youngsters 12 and older who are interested in taking Tae Kwan Do lessons should call the Dependent Youth Activities Director at ext. 5143 for particulars.

News Notes

Handel's 'Messiah'

The Presidio Post Chapel Choir will present two performances of Handel's "Messiah" Dec. 11 at 7 p.m. and Dec. 13 at 5 p.m. at the Post Chapel, Building 130. The choir will be augmented by organ and orchestra accompaniment. Admission is free but seating is limited. An early arrival is recommended.

Soup and Scholar Monday

Dr. J. Kenneth Eakins, Professor of Archaeology and Old Testament at Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, will be the guest speaker at the Post Chapel's "Soup and Scholar" luncheon Monday at 11:30 a.m. at the Main Post Chapel, Building 130. Dr. Eakins' subject will be "A Day on the Tell," a discussion of the modern day theory and practice of archaeology, using the current work at Tell el-Hesi, Israel, as a model.

All are invited. A light lunch of soup and a sandwich will be served free.

Army-Navy game viewing

All loyal fans of the Black Knights are invited to view the annual grid iron clash with Navy in the Attic Lounge of the Presidio's Officers Club.

The viewing is sponsored by the West Point Society of the San Francisco Bay Area from noon to 5 p.m., Sat. Facilities will be available to barbeque meals. Recognition will be given for the best B-robe, most class representation and the best guess on the score.

The Annapolis Association has been invited and may have the nerve to show.

Carolers invited

The Post Chaplain invites everyone to go Christmas caroling through the Presidio's housing areas the evening of Dec. 16. Carolers are invited to the Religious Activities Center following the caroling for refreshments and fellowship. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Please call exts. 3534 or 4440 before Dec. 11 to sign-up.

Christmas concert set

The Fourth Annual Bay Area Army Commander's Christmas Concert is scheduled to be held at 3 p.m. Dec. 13 at the Palace of Fine Arts. The event, which will feature the Sixth U. S. Army band, will be co-hosted by the commanders of the Sixth U. S. Army, Army Readiness and Mobilization Region IX, Presidio of San Francisco, Letterman Army Medical Center, Letterman Army Institute of Research and South West Pacific Engineer Officer.

Christmas dinner-dance

The Officer Wives' Club Christmas dinner-dance will be held at the Officer's Club Dec. 9 with cocktails at 7 p.m. and dinner at 8. For more information, call Barbara Aiken at 2305.

Special agents sought

The United States Army Criminal Investigation Command is seeking highly qualified career oriented personnel to become special agents in the field of criminal investigation.

For further information contact SA Bernardo Melendez, San Francisco Field Office, ext. 5405/3577.



Photo of the Week

Richard Caldwell captures the Week's honors with this photo taken at Fort Point.

Battledress laundering

Machine Laundering: The Battle Dress Uniform should be washed (warm water 100 degrees F) in a home washer with the temperature dial set at the "Permanent Press" or "Normal" cycle using a mild laundry detergent. **Do not starch** or use **Chlorine Bleach**. Maximum drying temperature should not exceed 130 degrees F. After drying in tumbler, the heat should be turned off and the uniforms should be tumbled in the dryer until cool to about room temperature and removed immediately from the dryer.

Any creases, wrinkles, or puckering can be removed by using a hand iron, with the tem-

perature dial set at synthetic.

Hand Laundering: The Battle Dress Uniform should be washed by hand in warm water (100 degrees F) using a mild laundry detergent. **Do not starch** or use **Chlorine Bleach**. Rinse in clean warm water. Do not wring or twist. Place the uniforms on a rust-proof hanger and drip-dry. Any creases, wrinkles, or puckering can be removed using a hand iron, with the temperature dial set at synthetic.

At no time should this uniform be exposed to temperatures over 130 degrees F.

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Phone problems resolved shortly

If you've attempted to use the Presidio's new Least Cost Routing (LCR) telephone system but were rebuffed by a busy signal, don't get discouraged. Problems implementing the system were encountered by Pacific Telephone and Telegraph. The difficulties should be resolved shortly, however, and the system working at full capacity by Monday.

Maj. Phillip Patterson, Director of Communications and Electronics for the Presidio, said only three of the 13 Wide Area Telephone System (WATS) lines connected to the LCR have been operating since it was implemented three weeks ago. He attributed the difficulties to PT&T, being unable to "condition" telephone circuits to process LCR calls.

The Least Cost Routing system was put into effect to help cut telephone toll charges and assist communications and post personnel in managing long distance charges.

It does that by routing outgoing calls from the Presidio through WATS lines or local trunk systems, whichever is the least expensive. WATS lines are telephone lines the Army has contracted for at a set rate.

When fully operational, the LCR will have five out-of-state and eight in-state WATS lines.

"In some cases," Patterson said, "the WATS lines are the least expensive and in other instances the city trunks should be utilized. It all depends on the time of day, the area being called and other considerations. The LCR makes that determination through a computer."

Patterson said Presidians should use their orange, five-digit LCR cards to make outgoing calls even though problems still exist with the system. If a busy signal is the response, they should hang up and then dial 9 and go through a city trunk to make essential calls out of the area.

"We realize there is a problem with the system," Patterson noted, "but when it is fully implemented, it will work and work very well."

By Monday, however, the problems should be resolved and Presidians will discover how well the LCR works.

Patterson said the Presidio is one of just eight Army installations to be equipped with an LCR.



photo by Linda Spillane

Volunteers needed at hospital

Presidio personnel are needed as volunteers to assist in the movement of patients at Laguna Honda Hospital's annual Christmas variety show, December 11th at 1:30 p.m.

Volunteers will meet at the hospital at 11 a.m. for a brief orientation and will then be provided with lunch and refreshments. The help

needed would entail the movement of patients from their rooms to the hospital's auditorium and return.

The activity would be completed by 4:30 p.m. Anyone interested should call exts. 2006 or 3870 for further information. Supervisors are encouraged to release those interested in helping.

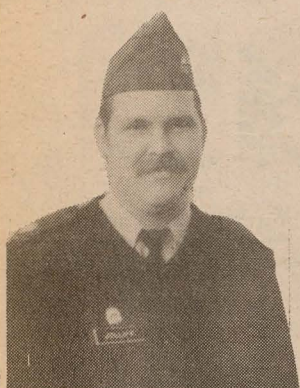
Combat Environment Training

SSgt John Gaines adjusts the sights of Sp4 Theresa Hargrove's M-16 during Letterman Army Medical Center's Combat Environment Transition Training (CETT) at Camp Parks. More photos appear on page 5.

Opinion

Ramblin' Sam

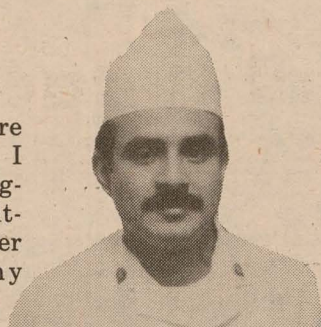
If you could not be promoted in your MOS, would you voluntarily reclassify to a shortage MOS?



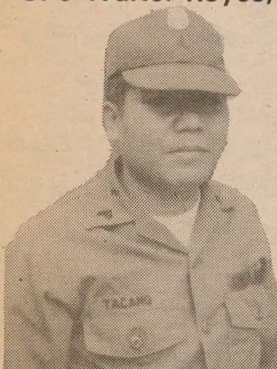
Sp5 Ken Jolliff, Finance

"I sure would, because I already have. I did it so I could get promoted and to benefit the Army."

"If my MOS were overstrength I wouldn't mind changing, it would be exciting to learn another skill in the Army besides cooking."



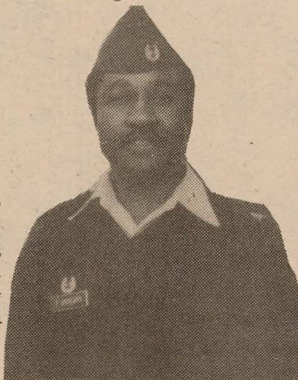
SP5 Walter Reyes, USAG Dining facility



Sgt. Steve Tacang, 864th Eng. Bn.

"If my MOS is overstrength, I think I should reclassify not only to get promoted but to help balance the MOS. The cutoff scores are too high so people in overstrength MOS should take correspondence courses to raise their points."

"It depends on what kinds of MOS are open. If I could get an aviator related MOS, yes I would. If not, I would probably get out."



Sgt. Theo Jackson, SF Recruiting

Commentary

A look into the future

by K. Douglas Cook



Well, it's only a few more days until we can kiss 1981 goodbye! This year's lasted about twice as long as a weekend at Fort Gordon... and that's long.

So, as a public service to all Presidians, we've taken our slightly cracked crystal ball out of storage (we once used it in a soccer match) and have gazed into 1982. Here's what

the next year holds for us:

Miniskirts will reappear by early summer. Most men will be pleased with this. However, some will find it's difficult to keep their skirts tucked into the waist bands.

The fabled fountain of youthful energy, El Polin, will be rediscovered on the Presidio. As a result, the clubs on post will be forced to install disco roller rinks, and post parking lots are over crowded with Stutz Bearcats.

The Army will scrap the battledress uniform about mid-summer. In its place, soldiers will be issued a new uniform designed by Blass and Gucci in anticipation of possible rebellion in Marin County.

Speaking of Marvy Marin, we predict that, before the end of April, 1982, a new toll booth will open at the northern end of the Waldo Tunnel. People will be required to pay \$6 or be able to sing three verses of "Mellow Yellow" to pass through.

Late in 1982, a small trash can fire in the Transamerica building in downtown San Francisco will

cause premature ignition of the main rocket engines and America will be the first nation to mass-populate Mars with life insurance agents. Inhabitants of Mars protest, claiming the action as cruel and inhuman.

The Army will test a new freeze-dried, dehydrated building in the Fort Scott area of post. Although supposed to only hold ten soldiers when combined with water, a sudden fog creates a new covered stadium just in time for football season. Unfortunately, post engineers discover the extension cord isn't long enough to reach the closest outlet.

The annual pay increase in Oct., 1982, causes a rapid increase in Army enlistments. Officials discover that civilians in the special pay category are joining up to finally get a raise!

The Marines stationed on Treasure Island delay the grand opening of their new golf course in May as San Francisco takes legal action to have the bay refilled with water. In protest, the Marines plan to invade Angel Island, but end up at Fisherman's Wharf.

Doctors at Letterman make medical history when they perform the first successful boot implant in the posterior area of a Presidio staff member—just shortly after he assured his boss everything was fine.

And finally...

On July 15th, 1982, the **Star Presidian** is published which does not contain one mistake, error in fact or causes a single complaint.

Hummm, maybe we should have our crystal ball checked.

Letters

Why not two clerks at noon?

Dear Editor:

Today I was at the Post Office in the Presidio during my lunch hour of 45 minutes. I stood in line for 15 minutes among 20 people while there was one clerk on duty. Would it be possible to have at least 2 clerks there during lunch hour from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. I hate to think what the Xmas rush will be like. With the postage increase lately I think the public deserves better service.

F. McGurry
DCSBA

We checked with Mr. James Bryant, the post master at the Presidio branch. He said two clerks normally are on duty during the lunch hour, but the day F. McGurry was there one was away from the window taking care of another matter. He also noted that the Post Office has forms available for customers to register a complaint or make a suggestion.

The Editor

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Excited, optimistic about the Army

by T.R. Weller, Jr.

"This is an exciting time to be in the Army," exclaimed the Army's top non-commissioned officer Dec. 4. "I'm really excited about the Army right now and extremely optimistic about the soldiers in it."

Speaking at the Post Theater before officers, NCOs and enlisted soldiers representing Presidio units, Sergeant Major of the Army, William Connelly outlined what the future holds for today's enlisted member.

"For the first time since we have had a volunteer Army, we are able to be a little bit more selective as to who we recruit to come in the Army and who we let reenlist to stay in the Army."

"For the first time we are coping with success, we have met our strength figures in the Active Army. In fact we have more people in the Army than we need and we have more than our end strength will allow."

Emphasizing the excess, the sergeant major noted that there is still a critical shortage in many skills, mainly in the combat arms, but also in the medical, communications and intelligence fields. This situation is causing the Army to realign and balance the force to create the proper distribution of manpower.

In order to balance the force, Connelly noted that measures have to be taken in personnel management to meet the realignment goals for the

future. He hoped that the methods to be used would not intimidate soldiers or cause any hardship on soldiers and their families. "It's something that has to be done," he said. "It's absolutely mandatory that we align the force."

"We are hopeful that we can negotiate that reclassification from you voluntarily," Connelly said. "If so, we will send you to school and it will be better for you in the outcome."

He realized that this approach will work to a certain degree, but that it would not be enough to do the job. "We are going to have to involuntarily reclassify some folks," he explained, "because they aren't going to get the message and they are going to think that, it will never happen to me."

"In order to do that, we are going to have to put some constraints on reenlistments, we are going to have to say that you are not going to reenlist in that overage MOS, you will have to reenlist, unless you reenlist for your own vacancy, for one of those shortage MOS."

'Our mission is to balance force'

Other methods will be used to balance MOS, including denying reenlistment to those individuals who, during their first three years of service, do not make E-4. For those individuals trying to leave a shortage skill, they will be allowed to reenlist for their own vacancy.

"Our mission is to balance the force," the 35 year veteran noted. "In order to do what an Army is supposed to do, and the Army is not here to teach you a profession that you can apply to civilian life... the purpose of an Army is for one thing and one thing only... and to be prepared to go to war when called upon to do so and if you think it's for any other reason, then you have been misled."

Connelly also outlined some of the changes that are making the Army tougher. Extending basic training from eight weeks to ten, the addition of bayonet training. "It's beginning to show, soldiers are beginning to say that basic training is tough, it was more rewarding and it was more satisfying."

Editor's note: Next week the Star Presidian will present SMA Connelly's views on the role of NCOs.

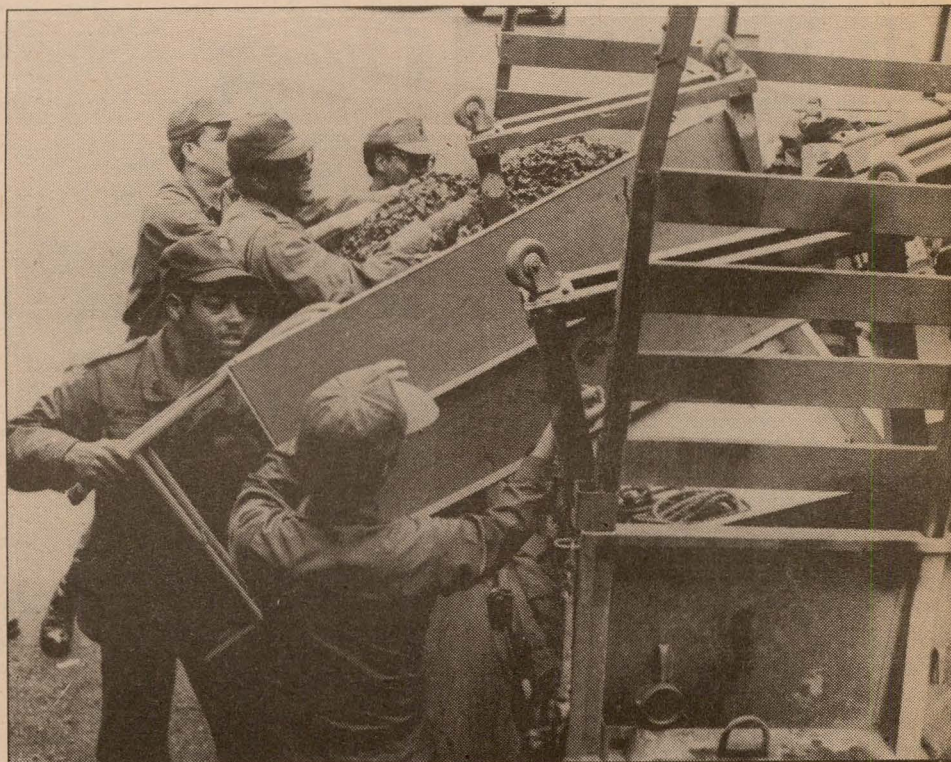


photo by Alvin Rainey

16th AG Detachment (Postal) soldiers unload equipment used at their field post office.

16th postal detachment supports 'Tiger Fight'

The 16th AG Detachment (Postal) returned to the Presidio Nov. 27 after a month at Fort Irwin, Calif. The unit deployed to the Mojave desert training center Oct. 29 to provide postal support for Fort Hood's 2nd Armored Division during exercise "Tiger Fight."

"We established a post office out in the middle of the desert in a GP medium tent," explained 1st Lt. Tim Warren, detachment commander. "We sold money orders, stamps, processed mail, lived and worked in a tactical environment."

During the exercise, Warren said the detachment underwent its annual ARTEP (Army Training and Evaluation Program), which required the unit to pack up its post office, move it to another location and set it up again under tactical circumstances.

Warren said the unit, which has about 25 assigned personnel and is part of the 504th Military Police Battalion, spends about six months a year in the field. In the past 12 months, the 16th AG has supported exercises "Mojave Victory," "Dark Horse" and "Tiger Fight" at Fort Irwin, and Operation Brimfrost with the 7th Infantry Division last January-February in Alaska.

In Sept. 1982, Warren noted, the unit will be going to Germany to take part in "Reforger," the massive exercise involving troops from the NATO Alliance.

When in garrison, the unit's members participate in common task and SQT training, support reserve postal units and operate the 504th's mail room.

Christmas concert slated

If the joyous spirit of the Christmas season has yet to hit your home, the activities scheduled for this Sunday are just what you need!

The Fourth annual Bay Area Army Commander's Christmas Concert begins at 3 p.m. at the Palace of Fine Arts. Featuring the Sixth U.S. Army Band under the direction of CWO2 John Dunlop, the concert will include a variety of holiday music selections.

Rumor also has it that a certain right jolly old elf will also take time off from his hectic holiday schedule

to make an appearance and take any last-second requests from children of all ages!

The concert, which began four years ago under the direction of then Sixth Army commander Lt. Gen. Eugene Forrester, is co-sponsored this year by six Bay area Army commanders including Lt. Gen. David Grange, Jr., Maj. Gen. Kenneth Dohleman, Brig. Gen. William Winkler, Brig. Gen. Homer Johnstone, Col. F. Whitney Hall and Col. John Marshall, Jr.

The concert is free-of-charge and ample parking is available.



photo by D. Jackson

SMA Connelly

Life insurance coverage to \$35,000

New maximum insurance coverage for all active duty soldiers, reservists and veterans under the government's group life insurance programs went into effect Dec. 1, 1981.

According to Army officials, the Servicemen's Group Life Insurance (SGLI) and the Veterans' Group Life Insurance (VGLI) will increase from \$20,000 to \$35,000 for all soldiers covered under the programs.

Active duty members automatically will be enrolled for the maximum coverage under SGLI. This includes those members who had previously elected reduced coverage or no coverage in the program.

The blanket enrollment is taking place, officials say, to assure that everyone who wants the coverage will have it. Soldiers still may elect to waive or reduce their participation in SGLI, but those wishing to do so must submit new waiver or change forms to their local finance and accounting offices.

Members of the Reserve Components who want less than the maximum coverage under the government's personal insurance program must file the needed forms by Jan. 23, 1982.



photo by D. Moreland

Gift wrappers

Barbara Luskow, Susan Walton, Sharon Schroder and Elaine Katsuyoski, of the Lettermen Womens Club, wrap gifts at the Post Exchange. Their organization plus the Presidio Officers Wives and

Enlisted Wives Club and Army Community Services are wrapping Christmas gifts to raise money for various projects the groups sponsor. The cost for gift wrapping depends on the size of the gift.



photo by D. Moreland

Parade field vandalized

It cost an estimated \$600 to repair with top soil and new seed the ruts carved in the main parade field by someone who drove a vehicle across it. A facilities engineer spokesman says it will take at least six months for the field to regain its splendor.

Reserve pay benefits up

On an annual basis, the Army Reserve can mean more than \$1,400 for a PFC and more than \$1,600 for a specialist four who join a reserve unit after three years on active duty. In a couple of years, with promotion to E-5, that former active duty soldier can count upon \$1,950 or more each year from the Army Reserve.

Army Reserve paychecks are linked directly to active duty pay rates meaning that a typical private first class now earns \$73.50 for one weekend a month of Army reserve training. Meanwhile, a specialist four with three years experience, active duty or reserve, can count on \$102 a month. This is for just 16 hours duty with a reserve unit.

With the 16.5 percent pay raise added in October to the checks of junior NCO's, an E-5 with four years of service now makes \$116 for a USAR weekend and a staff sergeant with 10 years for pay purposes gets \$147. Senior NCO drill pay ranges from \$178 for an E-7 at the 14-year point to \$284 for a sergeant major at the top of the scale.

Army Reserve Officers saw a pay raise of 14.3 percent starting with October's training. Brand new second lieutenants start at \$141, but a general now can make \$672 for the average weekend.



Transportation techniques of wounded personnel played a large part in LAMC's Combat Environment Transition Training (CETT).

Combat medics

Story and photos
by Linda Spillane

Camp Parks in the East Bay town of Pleasanton was the recent site of Letterman Army Medical Center's Combat Environment Transition Training (CETT). The CETT, otherwise known as field training, was conducted in four cycles and provided classes in basic soldiering skills. Approximately 100 LAMC soldiers participated in each three-day cycle.

Upon arrival at Camp Parks, LAMC soldiers found their lodging to be World War II barracks. Upon

receipt of barracks and bunk assignments and field gear, they began their training.

Training subjects included transportation techniques of the sick and wounded, land navigation, both day and night; physical training testing, M-16 and 45 familiarization, equal opportunity training, NBC training, Personal hygiene in the field, and learning the finer points of putting up a tent for patient use.



Nuclear, Biological and Chemical warfare defense was emphasized.



Familiarization with weapons comprised part of the training, too.

Time to spare

Reno tour spaces are still available

Space is still available for the Reno MGM Tour tomorrow through Sunday. Price is \$33.00 per person, double occupancy. Transportation is also included. Tour departs the Recreation Center at 9 a.m. tomorrow. The tour is open to all active duty, retirees, reservists, DoD Civilians and their dependents.

The Presidio Recreation Center has begun new operating hours. The Rec Center and ITT desk will be open Mon-Fri from 2:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. and Saturday, Sunday and holidays from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. For more information call ext. 2000 after 2 p.m.

Tickets for the Raiders-Chicago Bears game Sunday are still available for \$11.00 each. They can be purchased at the Rec Center.

A Motorized Cablecar Tour of San Francisco to view the beautiful Christmas lights and decorations is scheduled for Dec. 20 from 6 to 9 p.m. Price is \$5.00.

Free Christmas gift wrapping service is now available daily. The Recreation Center supplies gift paper, ribbons, tags, brown wrapping paper for mailing and mailing stickers. Gifts must be brought in and wrapped in the Recreation Center.

Please call the Recreation Center for further details at Ext. 2000 after 2:30 p.m. Sign-up for the trip at the Recreation Center. Don't wait! Take advantage of all the fabulous deals at your Post Recreation Center today!

"Death of a Salesman" continues at the Presidio Playhouse, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. Tickets for the famous Pulitzer Prize-winning play are available at the Playhouse Box Office from 1 to 5 p.m., and 30 minutes before performances. For further information, call the box office at ext. 3992.

For all of you wild animal lovers, the Recreation Center is sponsoring a field trip Dec. 19 to Ano Nuevo State



Christmas ballet

The Dancers Repertory Theater will present "Twas the Night Before Christmas," a colorful holiday family entertainment based on the Clement Moore poem, Saturday at 2 and 4 p.m. at the Palace of Fine Arts. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children.

Reserve to view elephant seals in their natural habitat.

Each year many elephant seals migrate along the west coast to breed. From October to March, the park is off-limits, except for guided tours.

The guides are University of California students who explain the hierarchy system among the seals, rearing of pups, challenges between dominant seals and other behavioral observations. The male seals can weigh up to 4,000 pounds.

It's an incredible sight to observe these majestic animals in their natural habitat. The guides also explain the surrounding vegetation and geological history of the immediate area. In all, the field trip lasts about 2½ hours and cost \$5 per person. For more information or to sign-up for the excursion, call the recreation center at ext. 2000.

Just off the press is the annual Redwood Empire Wine Country Guide, an 8-page folder listing 95

wineries open to visitors north of the Golden Gate.

Counties of Napa, Sonoma, Mendocino and Lake are represented, and this year's brochure includes 22 new establishments for tours and tasting experiences, many with picnic grounds and seasonal entertainments.

The Guide will be sent upon receipt of a self-addressed, stamped, business-size envelope by: Redwood Empire Association, 360 Post Street, Suite 401, San Francisco, CA 94108.

At the movies

Presidio Theater

Dec. 10	Carbon Copy (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 11	Carbon Copy (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 12	Digby—The Biggest Dog in The World (G)	2 p.m.
Dec. 12	The Devil and Max Devlin (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 13	First Monday In October (R)	7 p.m.
Dec. 14	First Monday In October (R)	7 p.m.
Dec. 15	Firecracker (R)	7 p.m.
Dec. 16	The High Country (PG)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Dec. 10	Fort Apache, The Bronx (R)	7 p.m.
Dec. 11	Striking Back (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 14	Carbon Copy (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 15	The Devil And Max Devlin (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 16	First Monday In October (R)	7 p.m.

Presidio Preview

Jillian Kesner, a martial arts instructor, flies to the Philippines to look for her missing sister in **Firecracker**.

Sports



photo by Tim Dewar

'Stretching' it out

Sixth Army's quarterback, Stretch Carr, prepares to unload the ball in Sunday's 32-6 victory over Treasure Island.

Jimmy the Freak

Kick me while you can



Hopefully you remember my question of several weeks ago—if I'm so smart, why am I in Civil Service? After last week's record, I think I proved once and for all why I am still in government

employ. After two more weeks, you won't have Jimmy to kick around anymore.

Cleveland 27, New York Jets 20

A team that gets beaten by Seattle twice in one year doesn't deserve any playoff consideration. The Browns have nothing to lose, so they probably will play very well against the "choke" team of the year.

Minnesota 30, Detroit 23

Every week I predict that the Vikings will have a big game. I guess that if I keep doing it, one week they will surprise me and come through. Kramer should have a really big day playing indoors.

San Francisco 24, Houston 14

Was Nero a fiddler? The

49ers are the class act in the NFL at present. Dwight Clark for league MVP!

Oakland 31, Chicago 17

I hate doing this! There's only two teams that I would pick to lose to the Raiders—the inept Bears, and the California School for the Blind. Anyone else would have to be favored.

Washington 30½, Baltimore ½

The Colts could be shut out, but I'm giving them ½ point for putting on their helmets straight. The poor Colts are playing like they've been "...rode hard and put up wet!"

Buffalo 28, New England 17

The Patsies are a few cards short of a full deck. Soem weeks they haven't enough to shuffle.

Atlanta 27, Los Angeles 10

The Rams have a lot of heart—no brains, but a lot of heart! Anaheim got sold a bill of goods.

Cincinnati 33, Pittsburgh 20

Without Bradshaw, the Steelers are an easy Mark (Malone). The Bengals were preparing for this match a week too early.

Green Bay 23, New Orleans 16

Dallas was also in town, you could have a replay of the Good, the Bad and the Ugly.

New York Giants 21, St. Louis 17

You've got to like the Giants' defense. They play well every week even though they have to practice against their laughable offense. What a bunch of pygmies!

San Diego 34, Tampa Bay 24

Fouts over Williams, plain and simple.

Kansas City 23, Miami 20

Home field advantage makes the only difference in this game. I still believe that the Chiefs have a chance to make it to the Super Bowl.

Dallas 27, Philadelphia 24

The Eagles are playing like the Keystone Klocks. Maybe they could play the Jets in the Choke Bowl.

Denver 28, Seattle 7

If you think that the Seahawks can win this game, I think that you missed your shuttle flight back to Pluto! They're the type of team that only a deodorant company could love.

Sports Shorts

Players needed

The Presidio's Women's Basketball team is still in need of players. Those interested or desiring more information should contact Mr. Donald at ext. 4131.

Soccer results

The 1981-82 Viking Soccer league began last weekend, with the Presidio's under 8's losing by one goal, the under 10's winning 4-1 and the under 12's playing to a 2-2 tie. The DYA soccer program needs players born between 1974 and 1976 and players born in 1968-1969. For more information contact Karl Gaffney at exts. 2070 or 5328.

Football Standings

The 1981 Flag Football regular season ended last week, with Oakland Army base securing the league championship behind an unblemished 8-0 record. USACC, with a 7-1 record, was the runner-up. The rest of the league finished in the following order.

TEAM	WON	LOST
HQ Sixth Army	6	2
170th MP	5	3
Corp of Engrs	5	4
16th AG Det	2	7
LAMC	2	7
864th Eng	2	7
Four Seasons	2	6
LAIR	2	6

Basketball underway

The 1981 Intramural Basketball program is underway, with 15 teams fighting to be "numero uno." All games are played at the Main Gym, Building 63 on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Three games are played each night. Games scheduled Monday include HQ Sixth Army vs. USACC at 6 p.m.; Oakland Army Base vs. 16th AG at 7 p.m. and USACC vs. 170th MPs at 8 p.m.

Games Tuesday are 864th Eng. vs. 504th MPs at 6 p.m.; Letterman Army Institute of Research vs. PHS at 7 p.m. and 163rd MPs vs Doctors at 8 p.m.

Games Thursday are USAG vs. B Co. LAMC at 6 p.m. DAFE vs. 504th at 7 p.m. and 163rd MPs vs PHS at 8 p.m.

Basketball results

The Presidio's Womens Basketball team returned to the winning track Friday night by trouncing Vandenburg AFB 56-34. But the following day, they lost a squeaker, 51-50, to a tough Beale AFB team. Against Vandenburg, the Presidians jumped off to an early lead and never looked back. Top scorers were Phyllis Singleton and Jean Ross, who tossed in 14 and 12 points, respectively.

In Mens basketball action, the Presidians swept two. They downed Vandenburg 72-64 and nipped Beale AFB, the defending champions, 73-71.

News Notes

Goal exceeded

Presidians contributed \$32,939.38 to the Presidio's 1981 Combined Federal Campaign, exceeding by more than \$900 the post's \$32,000 goal.

The charity drive started in mid-October and ran until Dec. 1. The CFC helps support 301 local, national and international agencies.

Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., Presidio commander, said the post's generous response to CFC "shows the very big hearts of the people at the Presidio, particularly the Department of the Army civilians. They didn't share in the large pay raise, yet still saw fit to dig down deep in their pockets and help those who are less fortunate. The bottom line is I think they are great."

Tree lighting

Santa Claus will be on the Presidio next Wednesday to assist Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., post commander in lighting the 1981 Christmas Tree.

The ceremony will begin at 3:45, Wednesday, on the grassy area next to the post headquarters. Music will be provided by the Sixth U. S. Army Band and the Combined Chaplains Choir. Everyone is invited to attend and don't forget the little ones.

Handel's 'Messiah'

The Presidio Post Chapel Choir will present two performances of Handel's "Messiah" tomorrow at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 5 p.m. at the Post Chapel, Building 130. The choir will be augmented by organ and orchestra accompaniment. Admission is free but seating is limited. An early arrival is recommended.

Christmas concert set

The Fourth Annual Bay Area Army Commander's Christmas Concert will be held Sunday at 3 p.m. at the Palace of Fine Arts.

The event, which will feature the Sixth U. S. Army Band, will be co-hosted by the commanders of the Sixth U. S. Army, Army Readiness and Mobilization Region IX, Presidio of San Francisco, Letterman Army Medical Center, Letterman Army Institute of Research and South West Pacific Engineer Office.

Presidio active duty personnel, reservists, retirees, Department of the Army civilians and family members of all the above are cordially invited to attend the free concert.

PT test make-up

Dec. 17 is the scheduled day for the make-up PT test. Testing will begin at 8 a.m. at Building 903. Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., Presidio commander, has directed that no one will be allowed to take Christmas leave until they have taken the PT test.

Graduate exam

The Letterman Army Education Center has scheduled the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) for Feb. 10. The \$24 fee is payable by certified check or money order by Jan. 8. Both the aptitude and advanced tests will be administered. For more information, call exts. 3692 or 4030, or visit the Letterman Education Center, Building 1007.

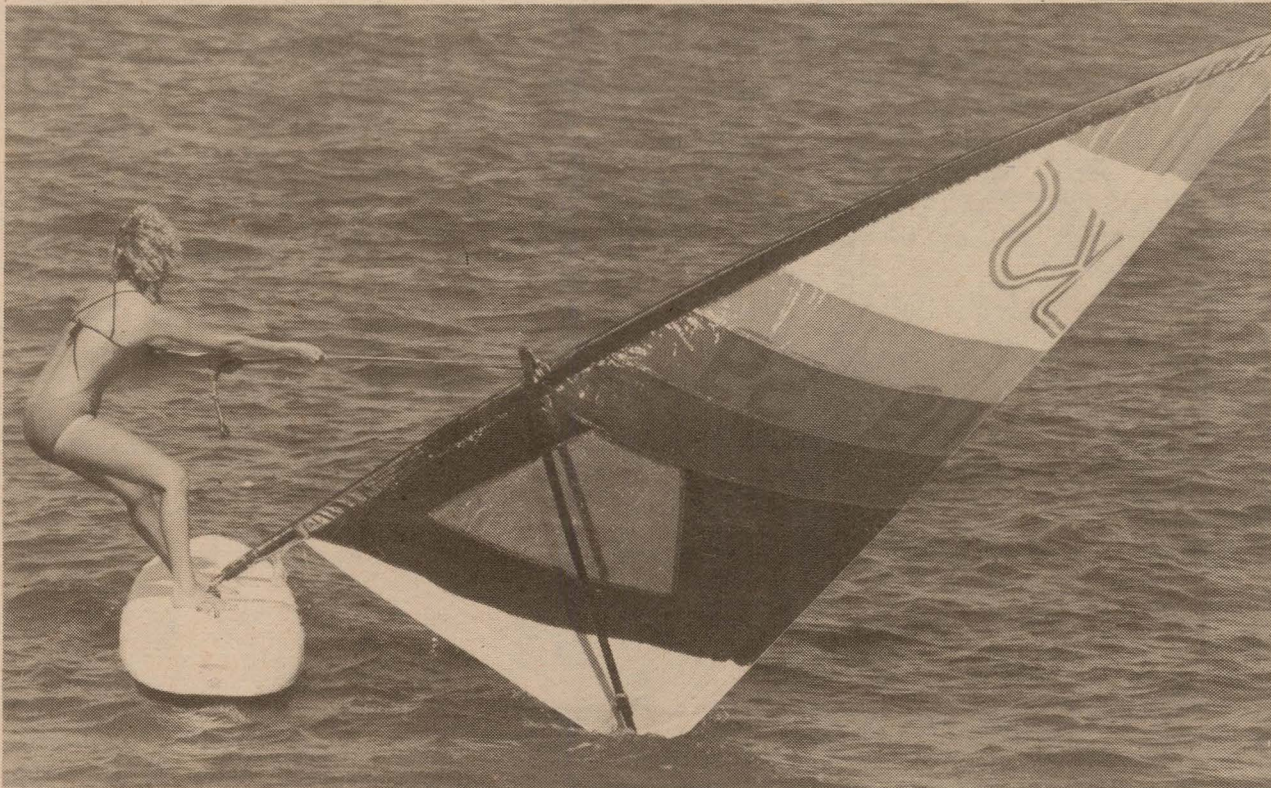


Photo of the Week

This week's Photo of the Week winner is Sp4 Tony Rose. His photo is the last photo of the week winner for 1981. Next week the Star Presidian will announce the Photo of the Quarter, which will go on

The Educational Testing Service now makes available copies of previously administered GRE test booklets. These booklets cost \$5 each and may be obtained by writing to GRE, Box 955A, Princeton, NJ, 08541. Payment for the booklets should be made by personal check or money order and made payable to GRE. The GRE test booklet, which includes the answers to the questions, should serve as an excellent practice test and study tool for candidates preparing for the GRE.

Presidio mixer

College-aged dependents of all Presidio personnel are invited to start off the holiday season by making new friends and renewing old acquaintances by participating in a casual evening of refreshments and music Dec. 23 at 8 p.m. at 1332 Wright Loop at Fort Scott. If you want to attend call exts. 4406, 2496 or 5289 by Dec. 21.

College assistance

If you are a high school student interested in, or going to attend college or post-secondary vocational school during the 1982-1983 school year and need financial assistance, you should look into Army Emergency Relief's Educational Assistance Program. More information and an application form may be obtained by contacting Army Emergency Relief, Building 214, at exts. 5057/5156. For the 1982-1983 school year, the deadline for receipt of the complete application, with all required materials at National Headquarters, AER, is March 1, 1982.

Carolers invited

The Post Chaplain invites everyone to go Christmas caroling through the Presidio's housing areas Wednesday evening. Carolers are invited to the Religious Activities Center following the

to compete for the Photo of the Year. The winner of the Photo of the Year will be announced in the Jan. 7 issue.

caroling for refreshments and fellowship. Children under 12 years-of-age must be accompanied by an adult. Please call exts. 3534 or 4440 by tomorrow to sign-up.

Battledress laundering

Machine Laundering: The Battle Dress Uniform should be washed (warm water 100 degrees F) in a home washer with the temperature dial set at the "Permanent Press" or "Normal" cycle using a mild laundry detergent. **Do not starch** or use **Chlorine Bleach**. Maximum drying temperature should not exceed 130 degrees F. After drying in tumbler, the heat should be turned off and the uniforms should be tumbled in the dryer until cool to about room temperature and removed immediately from the dryer.

Any creases, wrinkles, or puckering can be removed by using a hand iron, with the temperature dial set at synthetic.

Hand Laundering: The Battle Dress Uniform should be washed by hand in warm water (100 degrees F) using a mild laundry detergent. **Do not starch** or use **Chlorine Bleach**. Rinse in clean warm water. Do not wring or twist. Place the uniforms on a rust-proof hanger and drip-dry. Any creases, wrinkles, or puckering can be removed using a hand iron, with the temperature dial set at synthetic.

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City bus schedules changed

Municipal Railway (MUNI) routes serving the Presidio will be changing in early 1982, announced MUNI officials last week.

The changes effect routes No. 45 and No. 28, leaving No. 43 with the same path through the post.

"MUNI route No. 45 that presently terminates at the post bus station will be going electric next year," explained Tony Bruzzone, MUNI planning division. "Due to the change, the route will no longer enter the Presidio, but will terminate at the corner of Union and Lyon outside the main gate."

Realizing the difficulty the change presents to the residents and workers on the Presidio, MUNI planners included a shuttle bus (No. 45S) into their plans.

"The planned shuttle will run from the new termination point to the post bus station through the Letterman Army Medical Center (LAMC) on a schedule that will link with other routes serving the Presidio," added Bruzzone.

Other revisions include changing the current No. 28 route to No. 29 and terminating it at the LAMC. A new No. 28 will come up Park Presidio Blvd. from the Daly City BART Station to the Golden Gate Bridge toll plaza, out Doyle Drive to terminate in the Marina district.

For those students using the current No. 28 bus will be able to use the new No. 29 and transfer at LAMC on the No. 45S to meet a connecting bus to their schools. The current No. 43

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photo by Tim Dewar

Hootfell is lowered by Alston (left), her son-in-law (middle) and Croswell (right), from where she fell, into the arms of Mitchell (lower left), three civilians who were on

the scene and Gaab (lower right). Hootfell suffered a fractured right elbow and will be in traction one to three weeks.

Rescue takes teamwork

Presidio firemen, Letterman medics and civilians worked together to evacuate an injured woman via Coast Guard helicopter from Baker Beach last week.

The woman, Mrs. Katie Hootfell, 44, of San Francisco, was fishing with her son-in-law Dec. 8 when she fell and injured herself on rocks. She was taken by Coast Guard helicopter

to Letterman Army Medical Center where she was treated and later transferred to Marshall Hale Hospital in San Francisco.

Hootfell suffered a fractured right elbow, according to doctors. They estimated she will be in traction for two or three weeks.

Participating in her rescue were

Presidio firemen Capt. Barry Gaab, Tim Crockett, driver/operator, Glen Alston, driver/operator and Jeff Croswell, driver/operator.

Croswell and Alston also are Emergency Medical Technicians.

Involved in the rescue from LAMC were Sp5 Jasper Travis and D. Mitchell, ambulance crew.

Opinion

I'll buy books

Hey, have you finished your holiday gift shopping yet? You know... that ordeal we go through each year where we spend too much money, get in a terrible mood, end up in a brawl at the toy counter and, then, wish everyone a happy holidays!

A certain very important little lady told me that she was hoping Santa would bring her a gizmo called a "Club and Chat" (or something to that effect) for Christmas this year.

Well, not to let her discover that Santa was unresponsive, yours truly hit the stores looking for this thing. Well, I found it... all \$70 of it—not including batteries! As I was counting out my money to the clerk for an object not much larger than a checker board, it occurred to me that this thing cost more than my first car. (Now, admittedly, my first set of wheels was a 1951 Dodge flat-head six with a few flaws, but it did run and cost only \$55!)

Before I wrapped it, I decided to fire this "Punch and Participate" thing up to see what it does. It took two hours to understand the directions to get the 12 batteries properly placed. Then another hour to figure out how it turns on, but I finally got the thing to speak to me.

It told me to press a picture. I did. It told me what I'd just pressed and then told me to find another object in the picture. I did. It kept on and so did I. Then, I decided to intentionally make a mistake. It warned me not to mess with it. I did. After the fourth mistake, it dragged me in the bathroom and gave me a whippin'! I wrapped it up... quickly.

Oh, Santa also sent me some early gifts via the mail. A family member who I thought loved me sent me a couple shirts and some socks. (I guess when you get old, people figure you'd rather have clothes than a toy.)

I thought all the pins were out until I put the shirt on this morning. For a moment, I felt like one of those frogs we used to jab with needles in biology! Thank goodness I don't button the collar button first or I would've been ready for the glass jar!

Oh well, I've a few more things to get before the big day. Maybe I'll see you at the store. You'll be able to recognize me. I'll be the one in the book section... with the shirt full of holes and bandages on the back of my neck.

—KDC

Dear Presidians...

As the holiday season brings us together in cheer, celebration and comradeship, it is time to pause for a moment to consider the many unfortunate people of the United States and other countries who suffer illness or poverty despite the warm fires and colorful decorations that you may see in other's windows.

It fills me with particular pride that the good

people of the Presidio have done more than their share once again to bring hope and help to the unfortunate. Together we have exceeded last year's generous giving to the Combined Federal Campaign. Many men, women and children who will never know your names will share in your compassion, concern and generosity. Thank you, and a happy holiday to you and your families.

Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr.

Insulate water pipes and save energy

Dear Editor:

Recently, Post Housing had the hot water heaters in the Presidio's family quarters wrapped in insulation as an energy saving measure. I am sure that did a very good job in saving energy but I feel they did not go far enough.

I have noticed that in quarters of two or more stories that are heated by radiators (as in our quarters) that a great deal of heat is wasted. When the radiator is turned on up on the second floor, the pipes leading to it give off a tremendous amount of heat, enough to warm a room on the first floor even with its radiator turned off. This is especially true when the radiator is run for a long time upstairs on a cool day and the downstairs radiator is left off. Thus it seems like it would take more energy to heat the upstairs due to waste.

In addition these extremely hot pipes pose a safety hazard, especially to small children who may grab one and burn their hands.

Therefore it is my suggestion that Post Housing

wrap those hot water pipes in insulation as an energy savings measure as well as a safety measure.

Is this possible?

Troi Claus
1308A Kobbe Ave.
561-2017

Apparently, it is possible. Edward W. Crane, Acting Facilities Engineer says Troi Claus is not the first to suggest insulating the main hot water pipes running from the first floor to the upper floors in two story Family Housing Quarters. He says the Operations and Maintenance Division of DA FE and the Family Housing Division of DIO, are "Aware of the problem. Insulation of bare hot water pipes as well as removal and reinsulation of existing and deteriorating pipe insulation are planned as funds become available."

The Editor

Postal employees frustrate reader

Dear Editor,

Regarding a letter about the Presidio post office I read last week, I have an observation.

Checking Webster's Dictionary, one of the definitions given for the term "civil servant" is "... (a) cultured, civilized, polite or courteous... person employed to perform services." All of us federal employees are encouraged to and, for the most part, live up to meeting this ideal. After all, the people we work with in the outside community are, literally, our employers.

There is one group of people at the Presidio who appear not to share this zeal for civility. I am speaking of those friendly folks who man the counters at the installation's Post Office branch. Recently, I have witnessed actions and attitudes which fall somewhere between insensitive and rude. I have seen one "customer" reduced to frustrated tears. I have heard scores of others who, like myself, have stood in unending lines muttering to each other of the all-too-apparent lack of

regard some clerks have for their supportive public.

One of Murphy's Laws should be "the time that you reach the head of a long line is the exact time that one of the two clerks on duty goes on a break and the other is helping someone with a dozen packages." I have also come to the sad conclusion that we are all the victims of an inverse relationship with USPS—the higher the rate for mailing a letter, the lower the service one gets in return.

We've got to say that we're "mad as hell, and we're not going to take it anymore!" If there can be no improvement in the attitude of certain individuals, perhaps they could be replaced by self-service vending machines. At least when they don't work, we can blame it on mechanical rather than human failure.

Frustrated to tears

Editor's note: A copy of this letter was forwarded to the U.S. Postal Service. We are waiting...

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Patients escorted to Christmas show

Thanks to military personnel from the Presidio and Treasure Island, about 1000 elderly and chronically ill patients were able to attend Laguna Honda Hospital's annual Christmas variety show, Friday.

Fifteen soldiers and 15 sailors, along with civilian volunteers, escorted wheelchair-bound and ambulatory patients from their rooms to the Gerald Simon Theater the hospital's first floor.

The show was headlined by 64-year-old Dennis Day, an Irish tenor who used to perform on the Jack Benny Radio Show. Other guest performers included the Mason Kahn Dancers, The San Francisco Boys Chorus, The San Francisco Singers and juggler Bill Barr.

The Jack Fisher Orchestra got the

audience rolling with Christmas music while they waited for the show to begin. Guy Cherney, who has emceed the show for many years, did so again this year.

"The show was lovely," said Ed Foster, one of the patients. "Dennis Day has a very strong voice."

"I think everyone came away with a greater appreciation of what it is like to be elderly or confined to a wheelchair," explained one of the servicemembers.

It took approximately two and a half hours to move the patients into the theater, using two elevators as the primary means of transportation. The trip back to their rooms after the show was completed in only about an hour and a half.

Bus

route will not be affected by these changes.

The planned changes are part of Phase II of the MUNI Five Year Plan that is being put into effect throughout the city. These alterations in the system are geared toward the railway's goal to have a system that allows the commuter to travel anywhere in San Francisco with only one transfer.

Working with the MUNI planners, Presidio officials are providing up-to-

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date information about the transportation need of the post community served by the railway.

"As the routes are changed, we will be providing information through newspapers, bulletins and the chain of command to all Presidians far enough in advance to prevent anyone from having a hardship getting to and from work," said

Tom McMorris, Presidio transportation officer.



photo by Tim Dewar

Sp5 Lori Bernhardt escorts a patient to Christmas show.



photo by D. Moreland

Handel's 'Messiah'

Richard M. Grant directs the Post Chapel Choir and musicians from the San Francisco Conservatory of Music in a performance of Handel's "Messiah" at

the Post Chapel Sunday evening. The Post Chapel sponsored two performances of Handel's holiday classic.

Post holiday shopping hours

Post exchange

Next week, Army Air Force Exchange System (AAFES) facilities on post will be open from 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. until Christmas Eve, when they will close at 3 p.m.

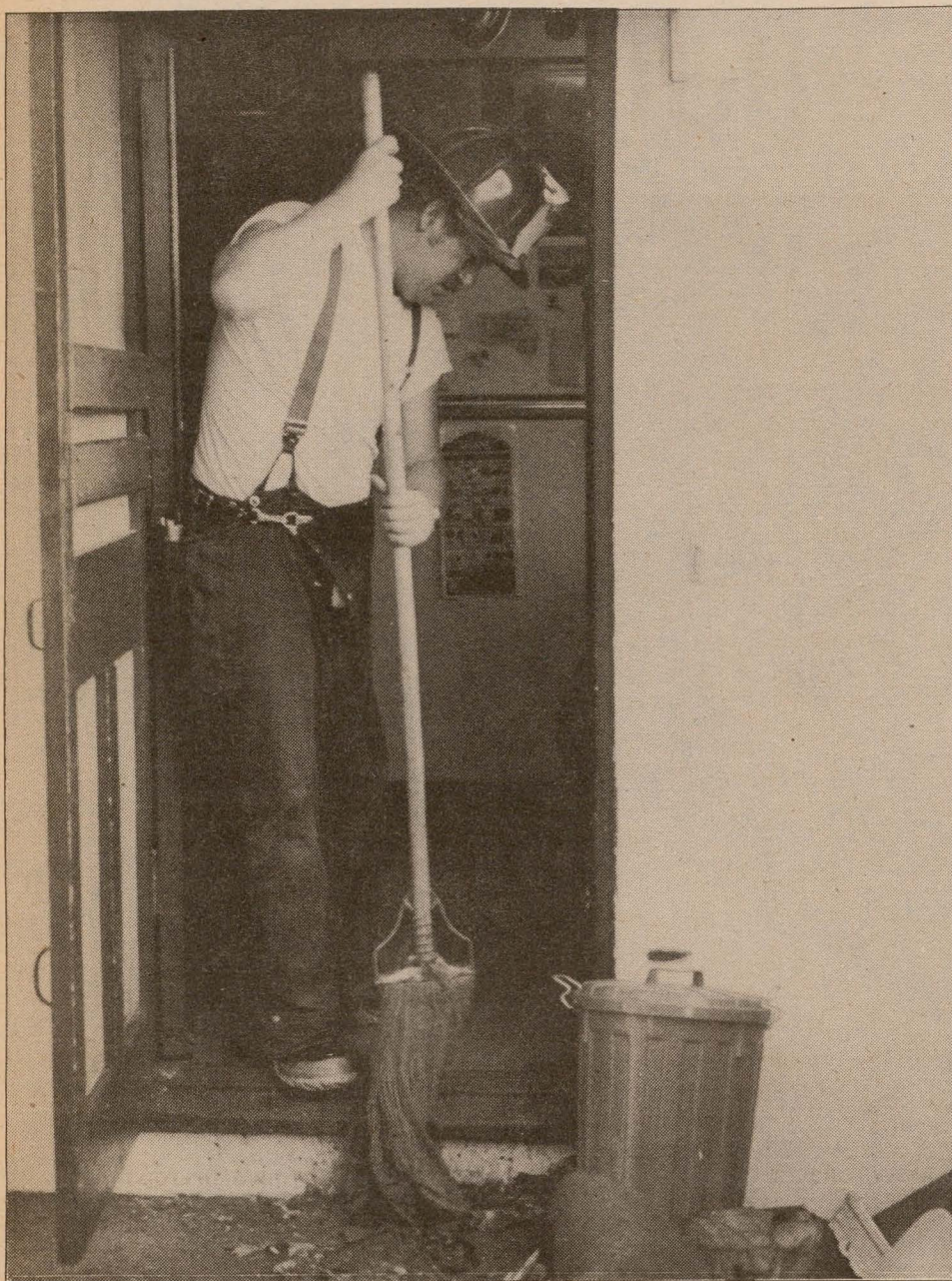
The facilities will be closed Christmas and New Year's Days but will resume their regular operating hours from Dec. 26 until New Year's Eve, when they will close at 3 p.m.

Regular hours will be resumed after New Years Day. For more information concerning AAFES hours and services, contact the Presidio Exchange Manager at Ext. 3420.

Commissary

Holiday hours for the Presidio's commissary will be: Open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Dec. 21-23; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 24.

The commissary will be closed Dec. 25, 26 and 27. Dec. 28-30, it will operate from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. On New Year's Eve, it will open at 10 a.m. and close at 4 p.m. and remain closed until 8 a.m., Jan. 2. It will be closed Jan. 3 and 4 and resume regular operating hours Jan. 5.



A fireman cleans up after a recent fire at Fort Mason.

photo by Tim Dewar

What if everything went up in smoke?

by Tim Dewar

While sitting around the Christmas tree with your family this year, imagine what it would be like to lose everything you own overnight.

If the thought doesn't appeal to you, extra caution should be used during the holiday season when additional cooking and electrical decorations increases the possibility of a fire in your home.

Presidio fire officials are reminding post residents of a number of things that can be done to help prevent residential fires.

One of the most important steps, according to fire officials, is the correct display and maintenance of Christmas trees. "Place the tree in a stand with enough water to cover two or three inches of the stump and keep it there," explains Fire Inspector Robert Streeter. "Throw the tree out before it becomes too dry and remember, even if a tree has been sprayed with a fire retardant, it will still burn," he adds.

Christmas decorations should also be used very carefully according to Streeter. "Use only lights that are approved by Underwriter's Laboratories (UL), and never place electrical cords under rugs, heavy furniture or in paths of traffic."

cushions of a couch can cause dreams to go up in smoke. Streeter estimates that it takes approximately 50 minutes for a cigarette dropped on natural material such as wool blankets to generate enough smoke to set off a smoke detector. Synthetic materials take even less.

"Cigarettes account for 66 percent of all residential fire deaths and should not be taken lightly," he notes.

In case a fire does start in your home, your family should know what to do and where to go to make it to safety. "Practicing escape drills should be a very important part of your fire safety plan," Streeter continues, "you should let your family know that it isn't a game and they should all learn what to do in the event of a fire."

"Smoke detectors are also important to fire safety," Streeter adds, "not only having them, but testing them often to make sure they work is another way to cut down on the risk of losing everything."

A recent fire at Fort Mason points out the importance of smoke detectors. "The three occupants had been sleeping and the smoke detectors, coupled with the fact that they knew what they were doing, probably saved their lives," he explains.

A cigarette dropped in the

Sergeant Major of the Army says:

'Be tough, positive, have discipline'

Editor's note: Last of two parts on Sergeant Major of the Army William Connelly's views on the Army's future direction.

With the Army at full-strength and moving to balance shortage and overage MOS, Sergeant Major of the Army William Connelly sees a critical period for non-commissioned officers in the years ahead.

The former tanker, speaking at the Post Theater Dec. 4, said, "I'm telling the non-commissioned officer corps that there are four fundamental things that NCOs need to do and they need to do now! Because it's the right time, for the first time since 1973, for NCOs to take advantage of these good soldiers we have out there right now, those potential non-commissioned officers.

"The first fundamental is **GET TOUGH!** I don't mean to get out and start raising hell, chasing soldiers and harassing them. I'm talking about telling them what you want them to do and making them do it. And we shouldn't be telling soldiers to do unimportant things. Also we need to establish that you aren't telling people to do unimportant things and we need to get on with the job at hand and do it.

"A soldier wants a sergeant that appears to be in charge, a sergeant that has his or her act together, who understands the regulations, knows the regulations and enforces the regulations fairly and gets on with the job that has to be done.

"Soldiers have no respect for the non-commissioned officer that needs a haircut, mustache trim or the NCO that is overweight. The soldier may laugh and joke, and even smoke a little dope, he may con you into thinking you are in the 'in' crowd, that you are easy to identify with... that's BULL! They're conning you. They're looking for something bigger and better out of you because you are an easy touch.

"We owe our soldiers a demanding sergeant, a knowledgeable sergeant that knows what has to be done and gets on with it.

"Secondly, we need to be **POSITIVE** about the Army. I can't understand how non-commissioned officers can join in conversions that criticize the Army. You should be knowledgeable enough to say something good about the Army. If you cannot say anything good about the Army, maybe you should get out; it might help us realign the force. The Army is an honorable profession and you should be proud of it.

"The next thing we need to do is improve the **DISCIPLINE** in the Army. Discipline is misunderstood by many people, military discipline is not just doing exactly what you were told to do at the exact time you were told to do it. Military discipline is also doing something in the absence of instruction, taking charge. Self-discipline; you don't have to wait until you're called in to do something about being overweight, discipline is doing something about it yourself. Self-discipline needs to be improved in the Army.

"Then you come to the last one, **PROFESSIONAL COURAGE**, it takes just intestinal fortitude, plain old guts, to be tough. It takes guts to be positive because sometimes it's unpopular. It takes guts to improve discipline, particularly your own discipline.

"It takes the professional courage to police your own ranks, to tell your best friend that he drinks too much. We need to take care of our soldiers and it takes getting the professional courage to do so first."

The Sergeant Major of the Army spent two days visiting and speaking with various groups on the Presidio and also managed to spend some time with soldiers in the wards of Letterman Army Medical Center before moving on to Portland, Ore.

Bike Stop fuels 'Pedal Power'

Staying in shape and saving fossil-fuel energy are concerns most Americans share. The bicycle, as many already have discovered, is an efficient way of doing both.

But like any machine, a bicycle's efficiency is determined by the care it receives. Simple procedures such as keeping nuts and bolts tightened, moving parts oiled and tires properly inflated can prevent breakdowns. Walking a bike several miles is one of Pedal Power's less popular aspects.

Bicycle experts like Joe Matys, owner of the Presidio's Bike Stop, say a well-maintained bike can last 100 years. Matys, who sells and repairs bicycles at his shop located near the PX cafeteria, says "Every bike is a challenge. And I appreciate and do more for people who maintain and take care of theirs."

While Matys believes every bicycle has its virtues, he favors 10-speeds imported from Japan. Unlike most bicycles sold at department stores, Matys says imports are lighter yet sturdier, better made and easier to ride because of lower gear ratios. Imports also cost more, but the investment pays off in the long run.

"One of my customers," says Matys, "is a doctor at Letterman and he claims he saves \$150 a month by

riding his bike back and forth to work."

For those who are confirmed bicyclists or interested in becoming a Pedal Power devotee, Matys offers the following advice:

- Store bicycles indoors and wax frequently to protect the finish.
- Never loan your bicycle to anyone.
- Equip your bike with lights, reflectors and wear reflective arm and leg bands for safety.
- Keep your bike secured with a sturdy lock and chain. As more and more people take up bicycling, the potential for theft increases.
- A bicycle should have no rattles. The minute you hear a rattle is the time to take care of it.

Matys has operated the Bike Stop concession for two years, but recently had to cut back the hours he is open because of a business slowdown. His shop is open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday.

Active duty personnel, reservists, retirees and family members are eligible to use the Bike Stop, which Matys points out, is more than just a place to park bicycles.

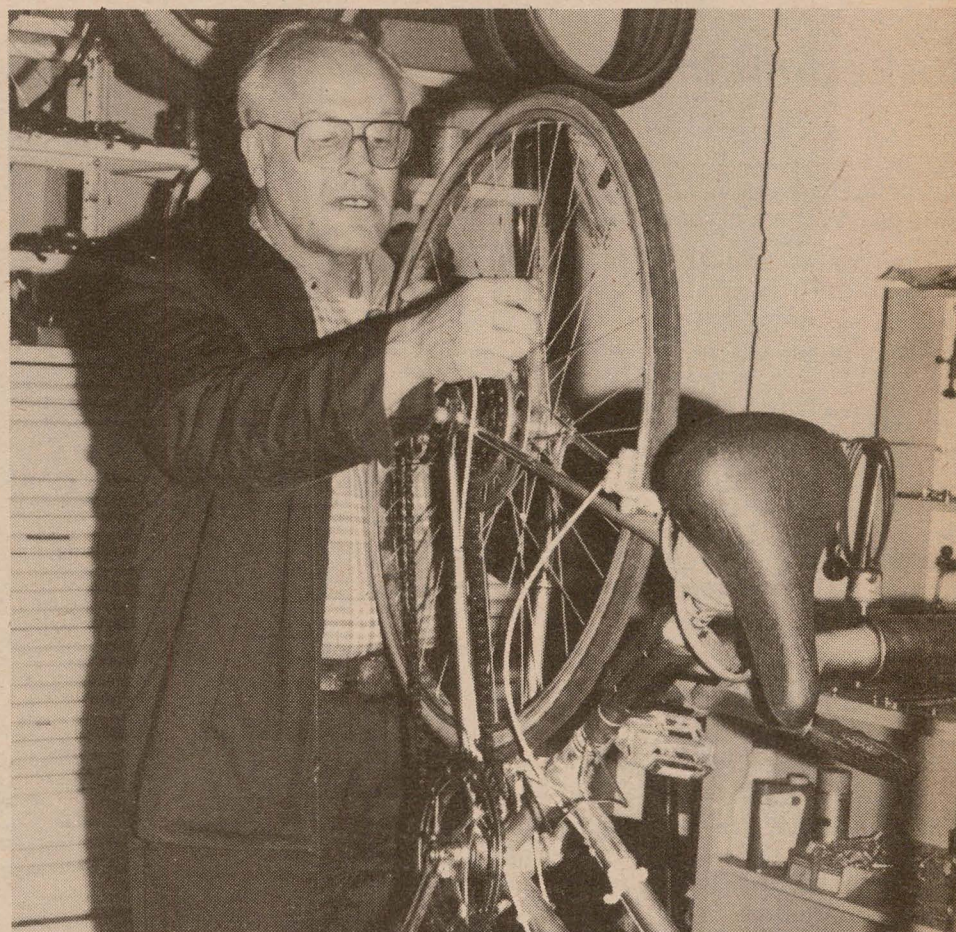


photo by D. Moreland

Joe Matys checks the spoke alignment on a 10-speed bicycle in his repair shop, The Bike Stop. The shop, next to the PX cafeteria, is devoted to Presidio "Pedal Power."

'Good locks, I've been foiled'

Editor's note: The following poem was distributed to newspapers by the Sonoma County Sheriff's Department with the hope that it will encourage people to participate in neighborhood watch programs. For informa-

tion about the Presidio's Neighborhood Watch Program, contact Sgt. Raisor, Military Police Crime Prevention NCO, at ext. 5011.

"Twas the week before Christmas and all through the house,
Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse.
Under the tree lay the gifts piled high,
Temptation enough to catch any thief's eye.
The windows and doors looked tight as a drum,
However, the burglars, they're not so dumb.
Down at the door with nary a rattle,
The spring latch was slipped and no sound to tattle.
Into the house and away with the loot
As fast as greased lightning the burglar did scoot.
Finding it easy and wanting some more,
He grabbed up his tool and hurried next door.
Slipping and prying he found to his dismay,
A shiny large deadbolt was barring his way.
Away to the window he went on the sly
Tore open the screen and gave it a pry.

He pried and he pulled 'till his knuckles were skinned,
But no progress was made 'cause the windows were pinned.
In the window he noticed a sign stating clear,
"Neighborhood Watch Has Already Been Here."
All the shaking and knocking the sleepers did waken,
Still safe in their home by precautions they'd taken.
They ran to the phone, the MPs they did hearken,
Telling them where the culprit was parkin.
Delated and dejected by pickings so lean,
The crook was just leaving when the MPs made the scene.
As they carted him off, the crowd heard him say,
"By good locks I've been foiled, now they'll lock me away."



photo by Tim Dewar

Good guess!

Dorian Dealmedia clutches the 20-pound stuffed bear he won at the Four Seasons store by guessing its weight.

News Notes

Basketball invitational

A "Collegiate Basketball Invitational" featuring the University of San Francisco, Rice, LaSalle and Ione Universities will be held Friday and Saturday at the University of San Francisco.

Tickets are \$3, \$4.50 and \$6. All proceeds will be donated to providing support and education to the mentally retarded and their families. For tickets, call Dr. Watson at exts. 2556/2069.

Youth Christmas party

A free, DYA Christmas Party is scheduled for Dec. 22 at 1 p.m. at Gym Two. Presidio youngsters ages 4 through 12 are invited. The program will include a unique presentation entitled "The Christmas Surprise Box." There will be presented and snacks for all youngsters.

Gift wrapping service

The Recreation Center is offering a free gift-wrapping service for soldiers. The Rec Center supplies gift paper, ribbons, tags, brown wrapping paper for mailing, mailing stickers and even help from the staff. Gifts must be wrapped in the Recreation Center.

Rec Center holiday hours

During the holidays, the Presidio Recreation Center will be open Monday-Friday from 2:30 to 10 p.m. The exceptions will be Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve, when the hours will be 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. On weekends, Christmas and New Year's Day, the Rec Center will operate from 2 to 10 p.m.

'Open Season' postponed

The Civilian Personnel Office has received word that Open Season for Health Benefits has been postponed indefinitely. Postponement of Open Season effectively freezes employees into their current plans.

However, a limited Open Season for



photo by D. Moreland

Christmas concert

The Sixth U. S. Army Band under the direction of CWO2 John Dunlop performs at the Fourth Annual Bay Area Commander's Christmas Concert, Sunday at the Palace of Fine Arts. The concert was co-sponsored this year by six area Army commanders

including Lt. Gen. David E. Grange, Jr., Maj. Gen. Kenneth Dohleman, Brig. Gen. William Winkler, Brig. Gen. Homer Johnstone, Col. F. Whitney Hall, Jr., and Col. John Marshall, Jr.

unenrolled employees only is in effect until Dec. 31. To be eligible to enroll, an employee must have been unenrolled either on or before Dec. 4.

It should be noted that many carriers have announced rate increases and benefit cutbacks for 1982. Therefore, new enrollees should be aware that current rates and benefits for the various health benefits programs are subject to change and that once a choice is made, it cannot be changed until the occurrence of a regular Open Season.

Bowling Center closed

The Presidio Bowling Center will be closed Christmas and New Years days.

Last issue for 1981

This issue of the *Star Presidian* will be the last for 1981. Our first issue of 1982 will be published Jan. 8. Articles and announcements for the Jan. 8 issue will be accepted Dec. 21 to Jan. 6 during normal duty hours. Copy should be hand-carried to Building 37, room 205.

One in the hand, is worth two in distribution

Editor's Note: We now have living proof that it pays to hand carry items for publication in the *Star Presidian*. If you or your activity desires publicity, please hand carry the typewritten copy to the Editorial Offices, *Star Presidian*, Building 37, Room 205.

The living proof: We just received a request for publication of the planning conference for the next "All-American Week" to be held on Aug. 4, 1981, which was addressed to SSG Craig. Well, Craig has been a SFC for several months now and we doubt if you'll be able to make the conference as the date we received this notice was Nov. 20!!

Chapel holiday services

Catholic Worship

At the Chapel of Our Lady: Penitential Service Monday at 7 p.m. Dec. 24: Confessions at 4 p.m., Vigil Mass at 5 p.m. and Midnight Mass. Christmas Day: Mass at 9 and 11 a.m.

Fort Scott Chapel: Christmas Mass at 12:30 p.m.

Protestant Worship

Advent and Sunday Services: 9 and 11 a.m. Post Chapel; 9 a.m. Fort Baker Chapel and 10:15 Fort Scott Chapel.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Services: 7 p.m. at Post and Fort Baker Chapels. Chaplain Halvorsen's sermon at the Post Chapel Candlelight Service will be "A Place to Stand."

Christmas Service: 11 a.m. at Fort Scott Chapel.

Jewish Worship

A candle-lighting ceremony for Jewish military personnel will be held at 12:15 p.m. Dec. 28 at the Letterman Army Medical Center Chapel.

Sports



photo by John Haberle

Right on!

Lt. Gen. David E. Grange, Jr. congratulates Scott Carr of the Sixth U. S. Army Six Packers Flag Football Team after he completed four touchdown passes in a game with the 170th MP Co. The Sixth

Army Six Packers play for the Post Championship tonight at the post football field at 6:30 p.m. hours against Oakland Army Base.

Jimmy the Freak

It's been wonderful...



It's had to believe that 16 weeks have passed since my first set of earnest, albeit, inaccurate, prognostications. It's been a very difficult year to predict the winners. As Winston

Churchill once said... "Never have so many missed by so much and picked so few!" Hope you've enjoyed reading this column as much as I've enjoyed misleading you. If you haven't enjoyed my work, just remember what I said on several occasions... call a cab!

Miami 24, Buffalo 17

Shula gets his men ready for the playoffs. The only good thing about this game for the Bills is that they're playing in Florida and not in the Love Canal of the North.

Denver 30, Chicago 16

The Broncos will grin and bear it as champs of the AFC West.

Washington 27, Los Angeles 17

Gibbs over Malavasi. The smart and the slim over the fat and the dumb.

Houston 21, Pittsburgh 20

The Oilers save Ed Biles' job.

Cincinnati 28, Atlanta 20

The Falcons have looked flat. Even to Rhett Butler, these guys have been looking "Tarabull".

New York Giants 23, Dallas 20

I only predicted that the two New York teams will make the playoffs in the hope that the shock will cause Horrid Howie to flip his wig or will elucidate himself hoarse!

Cleveland 20 to 40 points, Seattle A couple of points less than the aforementioned

I don't care, I don't care, I don't care. (Don't you just love a reporter who gets really involved?).

Minnesota 27, Kansas City 24

See above mentioned reasoning.

Philadelphia 31, St. Louis 20

Every dog has his day. The Eagles limp into the playoffs.

Hopefully, the 49ers will get to play these bozos in the first round.

San Francisco 24, New Orleans 13

We're No. 1! We're No. 1!

Detroit 23, Tampa Bay 20

If the Lions can beat Dallas at home, they should be able to defeat the Orange Clowns of the Southland as well.

San Diego 34, Oakland 14

I've changed my mind, even against the California School for the Blind, I would make the Raiders underdogs!

New York Jets 27, Green Bay 23

Whoever wins will get beat in the first round of the playoffs anyway. The Packers opt for an early vacation.

UPSET OF THE WEEK

New England 29, Baltimore 28

I predict that both of these buffoons will have the gall to actually show up and play against each other. Worse yet, they will even have the nerve to charge money to see them play! Doesn't really matter.

Sports Shorts

Sixth Army surprises

The 1981 Flag Football Championships got underway last week, with the expected "thrills and chills", but not the expected results. The "Six Packers" of HQs Sixth Army, who finished third during the regular season, easily disposed of the once undefeated "Baysiders" from Oakland Army Base, 20-6. And the underrated 170th MP Co caught the league runner-ups, USACC, flat-footed, winning 6-0.

In the tournament's first game, the "Six Packers", rolled to an impressive victory via a well oiled machine, producing three balanced scoring drives, engineered by illusive, quarterback, Scott "Stretch" Carr. If not scampering away from defenders for long gainers, Carr riddled the "Baysiders", with accurate passes. The winners also were aided by a super-charged defense, that stifled their opponent's running attack, and pressured the Oakland quarterback relentlessly. The "Baysiders" lone score came long after the game was decided.

In the second game, the 170th MP Co. battled its way to victory over a surprisingly inept, USACC, 6-0. Both teams had difficulty in surmounting anything resembling an offense. The lone score by the MPs came from a 16-yard pass from Gerard Hamilton to Anthony Robbins late in the second quarter.

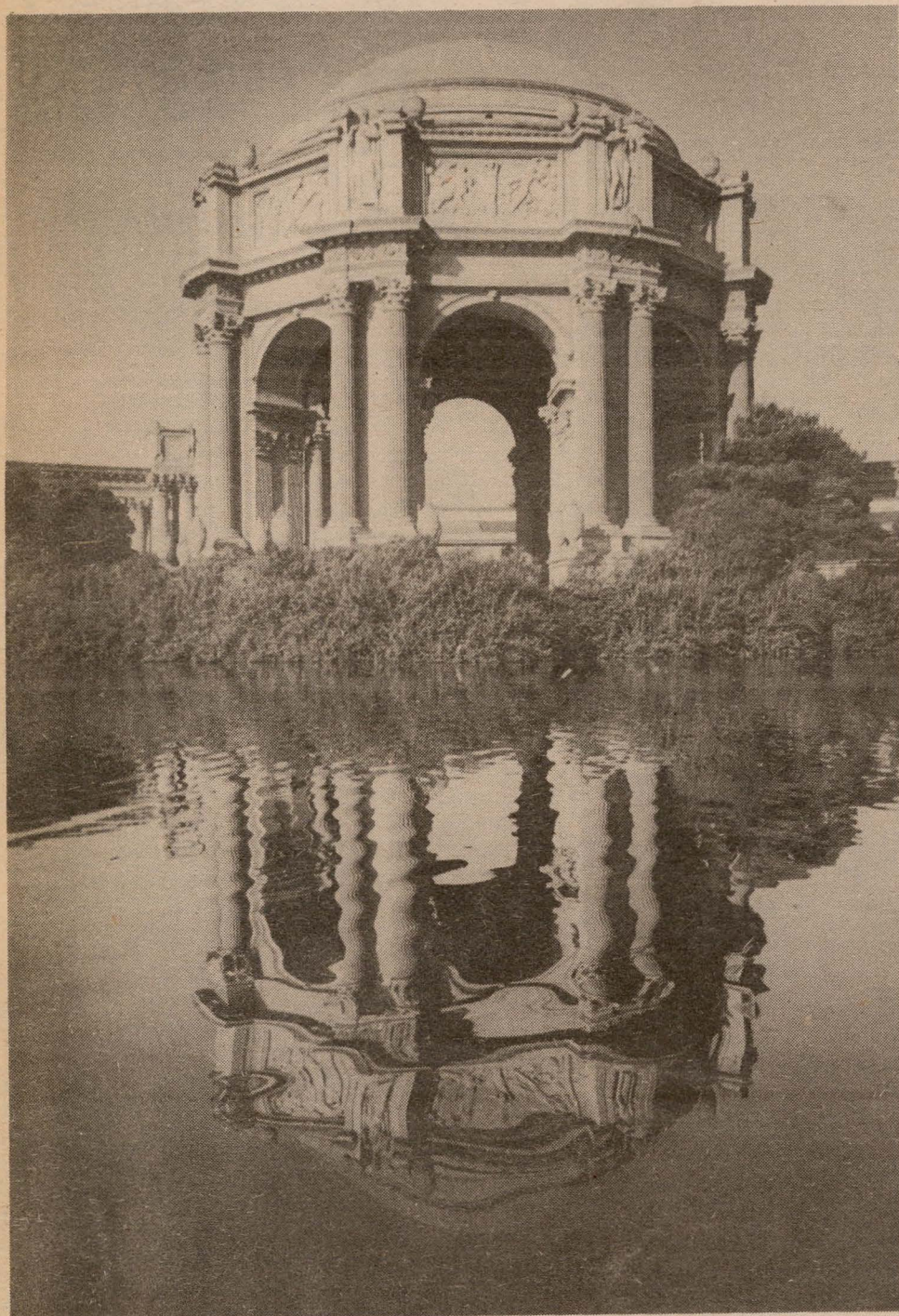
In the third game of the winners' bracket, the "Six Packers", continued their winning ways, by shutting out the 170th MPs, 28-0. The winners were once again lead by Scott Carr, who tossed four scoring strikes, from 15, 52, 45, and 6 yards out.

Christmas Tournament

The Presidio Men's team traveled to the McClellan AFB Christmas Tournament last weekend, losing to McClellan, 74-67, defeating Travis AFB, 75-58, only to be eliminated by Castle AFB, 56-50. The Presidians were lead by Antha Braddy, USACC, who scored 41, 35, and 20 pts respectively. Both the Post teams next compete against Mather AFB at the Presidio Friday night, and then travel to Castle AFB Saturday.

Basketball standings

Intramural Basketball		
TEAM	WON	LOST
864th Engrs	2	0
"A" Co LAMC	1	0
Oakland	1	0
170th MP BN	1	0
163rd MP BN	1	0
Doctors	1	0
"B" Co LAMC	1	0
USACC	0	1
504th-MP BN	0	1
USAG	0	1
16th AG Det	0	1
LAIR	0	1
DFE	0	2



This photo by John Green was selected Photo of the Quarter.



Liz Read's "On the Beach" was selected first runner up.



This photo by Leonard J. Sauer was picked as second runner-up.

Imagination, spontaneity and skill

Sometimes people asks us what makes a Photo of the Week winner. And, among other things, we usually reply imagination, composition, technical expertise and spontaneity.

To a greater or lesser degree, the Photo of the Quarter winner and the first and second runners-up exemplify those qualities.

The Photo of the Quarter, John Green's Palace of Fine Arts reflected in water, displays composition, content, imagination and technical expertise. The photo required thought, execution, and skill.

As did the first runner-up, Liz Read's "On the Beach." What impressed us most about Leonard J.

Sauers' orangutan, however, was the photo's spontaneity. To be sure, composition and expertise are evident, but what made it a winner was the orangutan, who was just acting naturally. Unlike the position of the sun or the level of the surf, an orangutan's behavior is unpredictable.

Snapshots of children rarely are

selected. Children are cute, but cuteness alone doesn't a winning photograph make.

Photo of the Year for 1981 will be selected from the four Photo of the Quarter winners and announced in our first issue of 1982. The first prize for Photo of the Year competition is a weekend at Lake Tahoe in one of the Presidio's rental units.

At the movies

Presidio Theater

Dec. 17	Fear No Evil (R)	7 p.m.
Dec. 18	The Prize Fighter/The Private Eyes (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 19	Jason And The Argonauts (G)	2 p.m.
Dec. 19	Take This Job And Shove It (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 20	Southern Comfort (R)	7 p.m.
Dec. 21	Southern Comfort (R)	7 p.m.
Dec. 22	American Pop (R)	7 p.m.
Dec. 23	Improper Channel (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 24	Mommie Dearest (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 25	Mommie Dearest (PG)	7 p.m.

Schwartz Theater

Dec. 17	Firecracker (R)	7 p.m.
Dec. 18	The High Country (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 21	The Prize Fighter/The Private Eyes (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 22	Take This Job And Shove It (PG)	7 p.m.
Dec. 23	Southern Comfort (R)	7 p.m.
Dec. 24	American Pop (R)	7 p.m.

Presidio Preview

Stefan Arnglim Fear No Evil grows into a menacing 17-year-old consumed by the power to destroy.